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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

June 28, 1900.
To-day is Coronation Day. The war vessels of which our readers are part owners duly banged away at noon to notify the anniversary. Business did not stop worth a cent, though.

The final sets in the tennis match between the American, Pettit, and the Englishman, Saunders, took place in Dublin on May 30. The match was won by Pettit. When play was resumed the scores were tied each having won four sets out of the total 13. Pettit won three Saunders one. Pettit is now declared champion of the world. The first set was won by Pettit, 6 to 2. The second 6 to 1. Saunders won the third by 6 to 4. Pettit won the fourth by 6 to 2.

General Brine, the Channel balloonist, is dead.

Zola has finished the last of his great series of novel and in future will devote himself to play writing. The only play he ever wrote was at first severely criticised and then capriciously applauded.

M. de Lesseps, who had a fainting fit on the street the other day, will continue to give anxiety to his friends. It appears that he suffers from a nervous malady which requires constant attendance on the part of his medical advisers.

25 YEARS AGO

June 28, 1915.
Details received in Paris of the capture of the Asiatian village of Metzera show it as one of the most heroic of French feats of arms.

On Friday we printed a quaint letter which spoke with an amusing air of confidence as to the present war being what foretold by the Prophets which is to usher in the thousand years of peace. It is almost refreshing in these materialistic days to find anyone with so much simple faith left. The writer seems to have lived on the year 1919 for the battle of Armageddon. The letter is of interest to us and our readers than the date at which peace will come and end this present war. The most interesting point in this letter is that which deals with "a mysterious cloud which interpreted itself between the British and German armies and in the midst of the cloud a host of shining figures." This seems to have driven the enemy back, a fact which makes one wonder why it had not timed its appearance a little earlier and have saved many valuable lives.

10 YEARS AGO

June 28, 1930.
K. S. Duleep Singh, the well known Sussex batsman, achieved the highest distinction in a cricket career to-day when he compiled the highest individual score in an Anglo-Australian Test match at Lord's. He also emulated his famous uncle, Ranjitsingh, in scoring a century in his first Test match. England batted all day to-day and when stumps were drawn at 6.30 p.m. nine wickets had fallen for 408 runs. The detailed score is given below:

England First Innings

J. B. Hobbs, c. Oldfield, b. Fairfax 41
E. E. Woolley, c. Wall, b. Fairfax 41
W. R. Hammond, b. Grimmett 38
E. Hendren, c. McCabe, b. Fairfax 30
A. P. F. Chapman, c. Oldfield, b. Wall 11
G. O. D. Allen, c. Fairfax 3
M. W. Tate, c. McCabe, b. Wall 54
J. C. White, not out 14
G. Duckworth, not out 7
Extras 10
Total (nine wickets) 405

The text is published of messages exchanged between George, Prince of Wales, and the Emperor of Japan on the occasion of the visit to London of Prince Takamatu, second brother of the Emperor, and Princess Takamatu. King George, in a message to the Emperor despatched yesterday said: "The Emperor and I have this afternoon welcomed our guests with feelings of delight. Prince and Princess Takamatu and we are glad to see them both in the best of health. It gives me the greatest pleasure to inform you that I have today promoted you to rank of Field Marshal in my Army. I have entrusted the baton to your brother to hand to Your Imperial Majesty on his return home when I hope he will carry with him the renewed assurance of lasting friendship between our two countries."

5 YEARS AGO

June 28, 1935.
A National Defence Loan, enabling us to pull up to our proper position in the world and put ourselves abreast of our great responsibilities, was advocated by Mr. Winston Churchill in a speech at a dinner of the National Defence Club, London, last night. Mr. Churchill said that if the Government persevered in the course they would have the unwavering support of the nation and the House of Commons.

"I was astonished to find in the list of the Majesty's ships participating in the Royal Review at Spithead the names of those which I was fighting in the estimates to rebuild a quarter of a century ago," said Mr. Churchill.

Nearly 12,000,000 votes were cast upon each question asked in the National Defence Ballot in London and the results were announced by Lord Cecil at an enthusiastic mass meeting in the Albert Hall last night. The final figures showed over 11,000,000 votes were cast in favour of a British remaining a member of the League of Nations. Only 255,000 voted against membership at Geneva. The question whether economic and military sanctions should be applied to an aggressor nation, 10,000,000 voted in the affirmative and 600,000 in the negative. But

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BANK HOLIDAYS

In accordance with Government Ordinance, the exchange banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Monday, the 1st July, 1940. (The First Week Day in July).

Hongkong, 26th June, 1940.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 202	Kowloon Tsai, between W. and E. Roads and Derby Road.	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet.	40,000	\$138	\$7,200
As per sale plan.						

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2	Tai Wan Island Lot No. 23	DD 331, Tai Lam Chung, North-east of Tai Wan Island.	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet.	91,000	\$418	\$3,942
As per sale plan.						

AMERICAN FLEET

Japanese Navy Spokesman Gives His Views

Tokyo, June 27.

Questioned regarding the reported departures from Pearl Harbour, the spokesman for the Navy Office Rear-Admiral Masao Kanasawa, said that he had received no official information so far. It is apparent, however, through Press reports that part of the American fleet has sailed from Hawaiian waters.

The spokesman agreed that the new American fleet movement had been designed to cope with the developments in the European situation.

Questioned as to what attitude the Japanese Navy would take in case the American fleet crossed the International Dateline, namely, 180 degrees east-westward, the spokesman excused himself from commenting on the hypothetical question, which would involve a serious political issue.—Domei.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession

12.30 The Kentucky Minstrels.
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12.40 The New Mayfair Orchestra.
Minuet (Bocherini, arr. Goehr), Madrigal (Simonetti); A Vision of Spring, Intro: Spring Song; O that we two were maying; A Spring Morning; Come Lassies and Lads; Spring's Awakening; Now the day is over; Venetian Nights, Intro: Barcarolle in G Minor (Mendelssohn); Barcarolle (Tales of Hoffmann); Offenbach; Carnival of Venice (Benedict); Milestones of Melody.
1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Dance Music.
1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Mozart—Symphony in D Major (The "Prague").
Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Erich Kleiber.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 A Programme of Dance Music.

Relay of Programme From Saigon

6.55 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.00 Relay of a Programme from Saigon.

7.15 The Orchestra Raymond.

Delibes In Vienna (arr. Walter), Indian Mail—Descriptive (Lamotho), Glow Worm—Intermezzo (Paul Lincke), Gounod In Vienna (arr. Walter).

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05 Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.
Samson and Delilah—Bachmanale (Saint-Saens), Damnation of Faust—Rakoczy March (Berlioz, Op. 24); Gavotte (Mignon—Thomas), Song Without Words (In A minor, Op. 40, No. 6—Tchikowsky).

8.20 Debussy—Quartet in D Flat Major, Op. 15.

8.30 Studio—Piano Recital by Harry Oro.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45 Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana."

Characters and Solists in order of appearance: Turiddu, a young soldier, Giovanni Brevando (Tenor), Santuzza, a village girl, Della Sanzio (Soprano), Lucia, mother of Turiddu, Olga De Franco (Contralto), Alfio, a tannier, Ptero Biasini (Baritone), Lola, wife of Alfio, M. Fantaleoni (Mezzo-Soprano), and Members of La Scala Orchestra and Chorus, Milan.

11.00 Close Down.

DETOUR TO HONGKONG

Norwegian Ship's Long Trip From Moji to Yokohama

The Norwegian vessel, Runda (6,020 tons) which had been in Hongkong since leaving Moji on April 10, arrived at Yokohama recently.

According to the captain of the ship, she left Moji on April 10 at 6 p.m., bound for Yokohama, but a British cruiser intercepted the vessel, and ordered the ship to turn her course for Hongkong where she arrived on April 17. None of the cargo was confiscated. On April 26, the ship obtained permission to sail again.

Shanghai Abduction

Shanghai, June 27.
Representations are being made to the American authorities over the alleged kidnapping of Mr. John Costa, chief accountant of the American-owned the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury.

Mr. Costa is reported to have been abducted from his home in the out-skirts roads area last night by three men, one of whom is stated to have been a Japanese. While they covered him with a pistol he was handcuffed and led away. The kidnappers told his wife that he would be brought back soon.

The American authorities have been informed of the circumstances. Mr. Fu Salo-en, Mayor, and the Government of Greater Shanghai have promised to help and the City and Government police are assisting in the investigations.—Reuter.

Another Accident

Chungking, June 27.
A kidnapping of a political nature took place in Shanghai on June 25. The victim was Li Chi-fung who was forcibly taken from his room in the Sun Sun Hotel, Nanking Road, by three men, who were arrested by the Shanghai Municipal police. They confessed that they were members of the so-called Peace and Reconstruction Army.—Central News.

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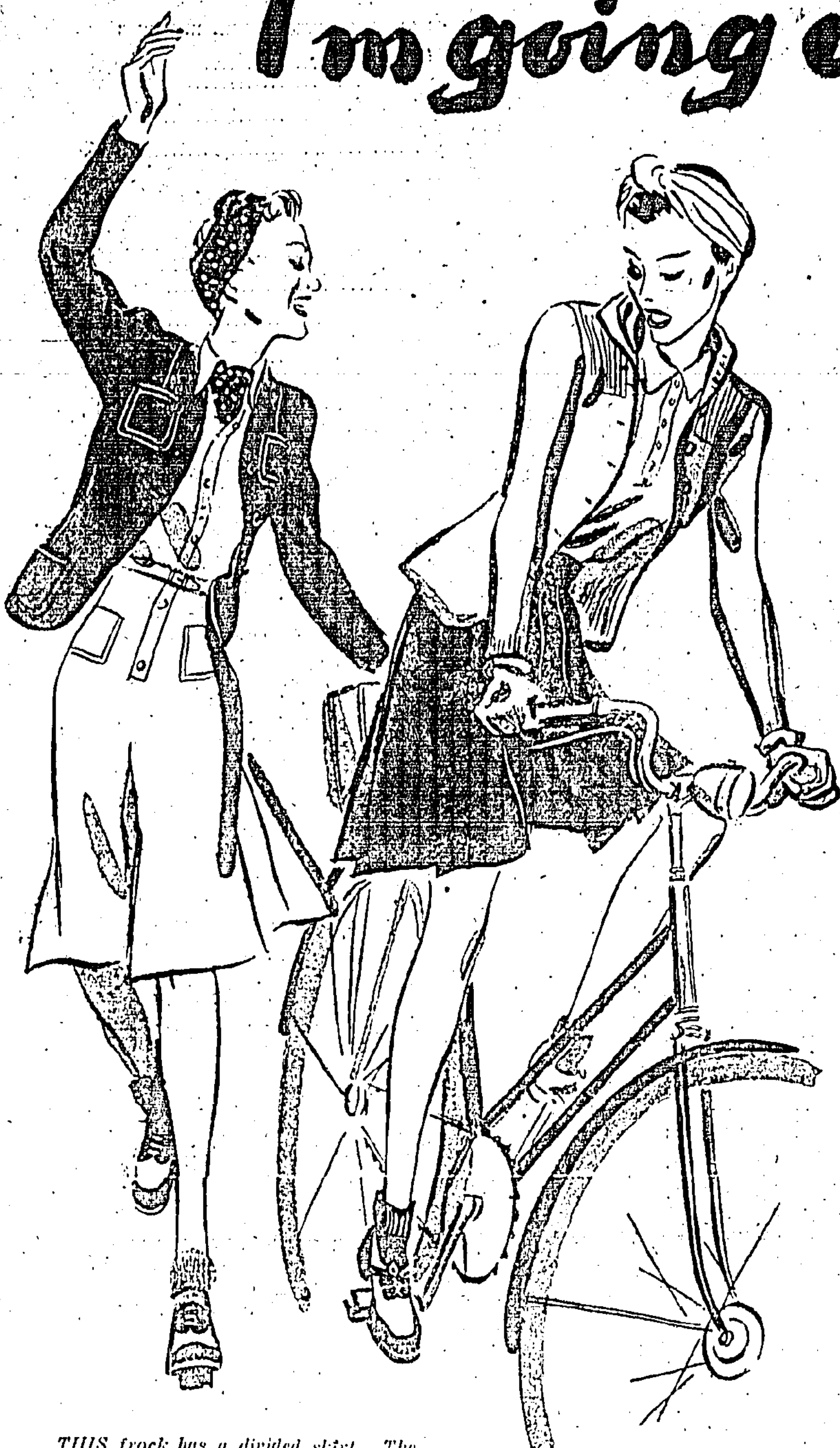
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THIS is something really new in the way of shorts. These are cut so that they look like a schoolgirl's pleated gym skirt. The front and back seams are covered with deep pleats, and it is practically impossible to tell they are shorts at all. They come 2 ins. above the knee. Tucked in is a string-coloured shirt of Panama cotton—fresh looking to the last.



Don't Fuss About His Weight . . .

THE TEXT-BOOKS tell us that a baby boy immediately after birth should be 20.6 inches long and 7 lb. 10 oz. in weight, while a girl is very slightly shorter and weighs 7 oz. less.

Boys grow more quickly than girls in the first year, and at three months the average male infant should be 13 lb. and the female 11 lb. 14 oz.

So it goes on, this incessant register of figures, weights and measures.

Now there is undoubtedly some usefulness in a knowledge of the average standards, but let all mothers (and fathers, too, sometimes) be on their guard against making weight-testing a fetish.

I have seen wild women clutching their offspring, and with staring eyes declare that the baby has actually lost half an ounce this week!

They are ready for anything to happen to the baby after that. Or it may be that a group of young mothers, sitting in a doctor's waiting-room, will start comparing weights and land themselves into a dog-fight

over these precious pounds of flesh. The factors never to be lost sight of are that each child is an individual and has his or her own standards. Provided a boy is not losing steadily a few ounces a week, there is nothing to worry about.

The average gain in ounces per week for boys and girls in the first year is 3 1/2-4 1/2, but it may be less. In the second year 2 1/2-3 1/2, is satisfactory, and in the third 1 1/2-2 1/2.

As the child grows the weekly increase diminishes. Seasons, teething illness and fussy parents may cause variations in the weekly weightings.

The weight must therefore be interpreted intelligently and above all, any slight loss must not be made the signal for a rush to overfeeding and constant stimulation, so that the nursery assumes the characteristics of the turkey farm before Christmas.

FOR THE HAIR SWEET & SWIFT

WHERE coiffures are suffering from tightly fitting hats, neglect or change in the weather, oil well brushed in gives an immediate gloss which spells health and care.

A little oil, however, goes a very long way.

You should put some in the palm of your hand, and rub your palm over the brush, then brush your hair. That is all the oil your hair needs. Sticky hair will only get dirty quickly.

By the way, it is good news that there are now brilliancies which blondes can use freely, because they will not darken the hair.

RECIPES for quick savouries are numerous, but a sweet which is both economical and quickly prepared is more difficult to come by.

So you may like to know of a most appetising way of serving up stale bread, which is, incidentally, especially popular with children. The bread is cut in slices soaked in milk flavoured with almond, vanilla or any other ingredient the family fancies.

Then fry in cooking fat until the slices are browned, and served on warmed plates, topped with jam, syrup, or lemon and sugar.

Your Feet

WHEN your feet get tired by too much standing it is helpful to strengthen the muscles by exercises.

Two simple ones which are beneficial if they are done every day are these:

Put some marbles on the floor and try to pick them up with your toes. And then, put a rolling pin on the floor and stand one foot on it, rolling it about under the foot and trying to grip it with the toes. You will probably have to hold on to the mantelpiece for this one, in order to keep your balance.

Be Careful Here

CARE should be taken however, not to put the cream so near the eyes that it can see inside them during the night as here again is a cause of a certain amount of eye discomfort, and even puffiness.

Also, as most wrinkle creams and skin foods are inclined to be a little relaxing, it is often necessary to counteract this by patting a little astringent lotion around the eyes, in the morning, after the over-night creaming.

For Your Eyes

EYES tell tales. If they are tired, they will say so.

A daily eye-bath is good, but bathing the eyes twice a day is even more likely to tire you. In the shortest space of time, that clear blue tint which the whites should have.

Whatever the lotion you choose, your own mixture, or one already prepared, an eye-bath should be used that allows the head to be held forward instead of backward. It is simpler this way, and the minute particles of dust cannot then be washed back into the eyes.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA

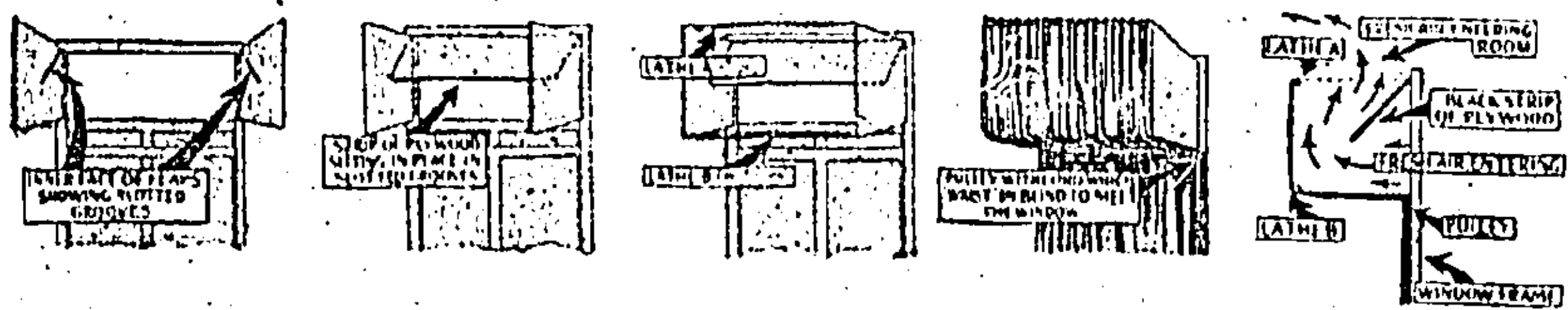
Delegates in Berlin For Border Conference

Berlin, June 27. The Official News Agency states that the head of the western division of the Soviet Russian Foreign Commissariat, M. Alexandrov, accompanied by Col. Leontjev, arrived today to participate in the German-Russian frontier negotiations.

Considerable speculation has been caused in diplomatic and Press circles by the announcement.

Some circles understand the negotiations will have an effect on Germany's diplomatic and military relations, especially in connection with the reported forthcoming offensive on England—Domet.

How to Make a Black-out Ventilator



BLACK-OUT conditions spell stuffy interiors far too often for healthy living. An ordinary human being uses up, on an average about 32 gallons of fresh air per minute. Thus there must be a constant re-change of air in room, office or workshop, etc.

Living and sleeping in stale air bring many penalties. Powers of concentration are weakened; headache and dizziness may appear; anaemia develops; appetites grow poor and flimsy; and the body's natural resistance to disease is greatly lowered. It is obvious then that forms of ventilation which permit a constant inflow of fresh air while completely excluding light are war defences of high value.

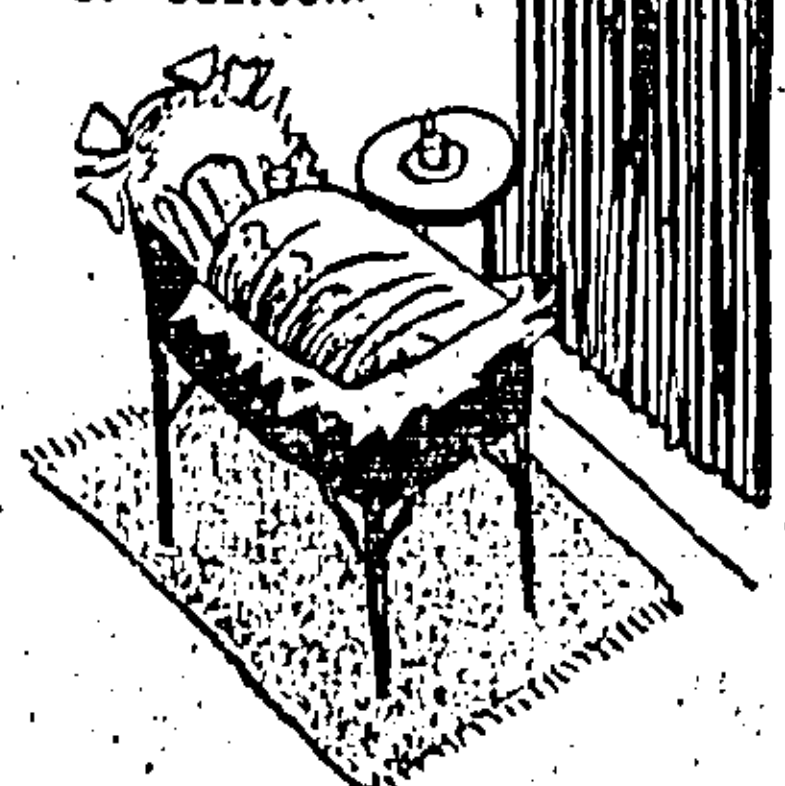


Here is a simple and economical method of providing fresh air in the black-out home.

It is a ventilating light-trap that could be fashioned by any handy person, or fitted at small cost by a carpenter.

The diagrams show how. The materials required are: 1.—Two rectangular pieces of fairly strong whitewood or plywood. (The size required will depend on the size of the window, and how much open window is desired.)

First four diagrams illustrate method of making; fifth shows how air enters; result, a well-ventilated nursery or bedroom.



These pieces should be slotted diagonally from one corner to the centre, on one face only. 2.—Several small hinges. (The rectangular pieces are hinged to the window on either side at extreme top—their free ends point into the room like the doors of an open cupboard. 3.—Strip of plywood, the length of which must be the exact distance between the flap-pieces mentioned

above. The depth of the strip is that of the slotted groove in the flap pieces described above. (This strip of plywood will fit into these slotted grooves later.)

4.—Two laths a shade longer than the total width between the flaps. One lath secures the top outer corners, while the other secures the bottom outer corners of the flaps together. (These laths hold the flaps firmly in place so that the strip of plywood cannot fall out of the slotted grooves.)

5.—"black-out" blind or curtain. This blind or curtain is fixed along the upper lath. So that it may lie against the window below the ventilating trap, it is "waisted" in to meet the window directly below the flaps by means of a cord on pulleys. The blind or curtain should be long enough to reach a little below the end of the window when all is prepared for action. If you want to use your existing curtains buy sufficient new materials (matching if possible) for the top portion.

The inner faces of the flaps, the plywood strip, and the laths are painted a matt black.

The principle is that the air enters through the open top of the window. It passes around the strip of plywood, and enters the room by the free entry at the top of the trap. The illumination in the room may be as strong as could be wished, as the trap is an efficient "black-out", provided the strip of ceiling right above the trap is not directly illuminated.

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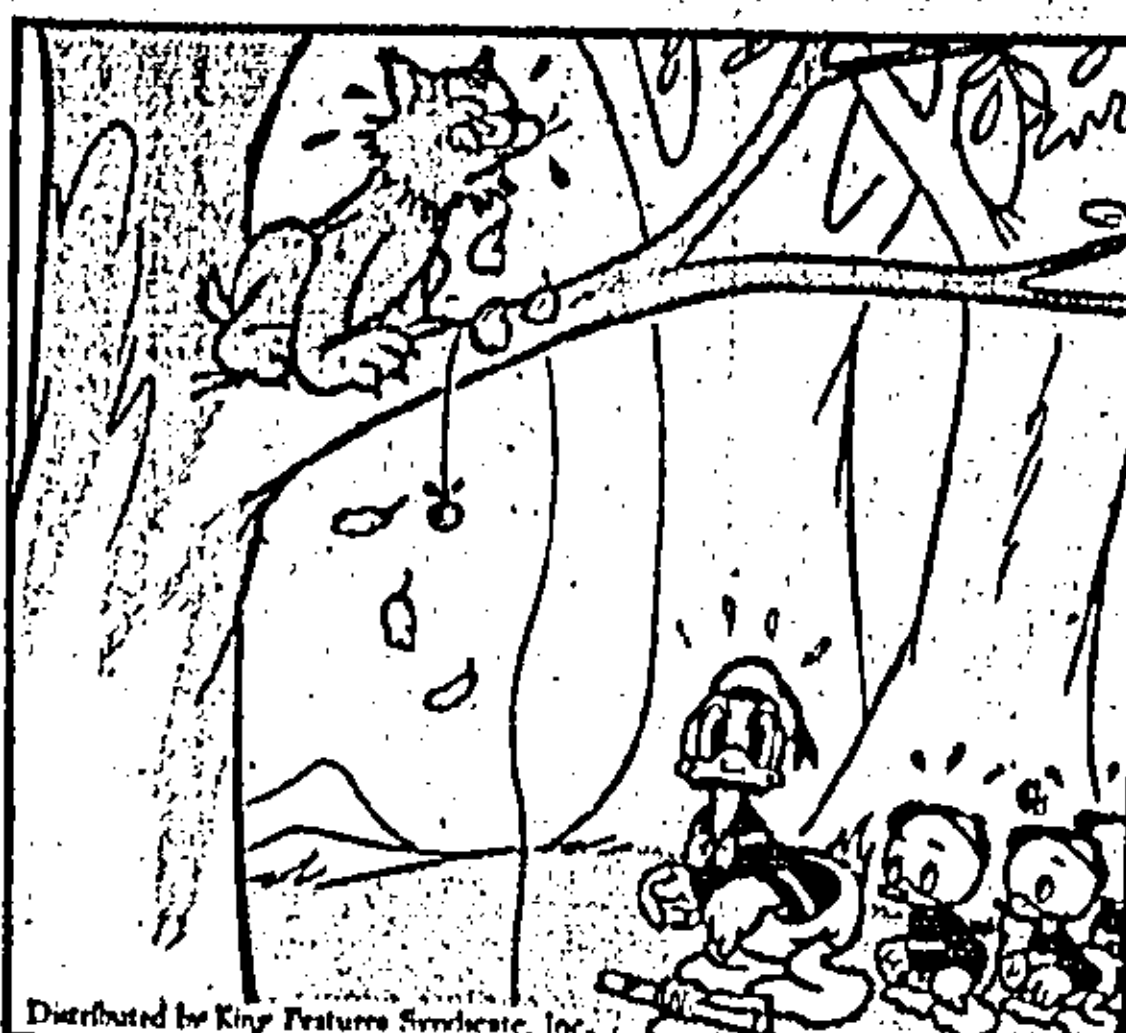
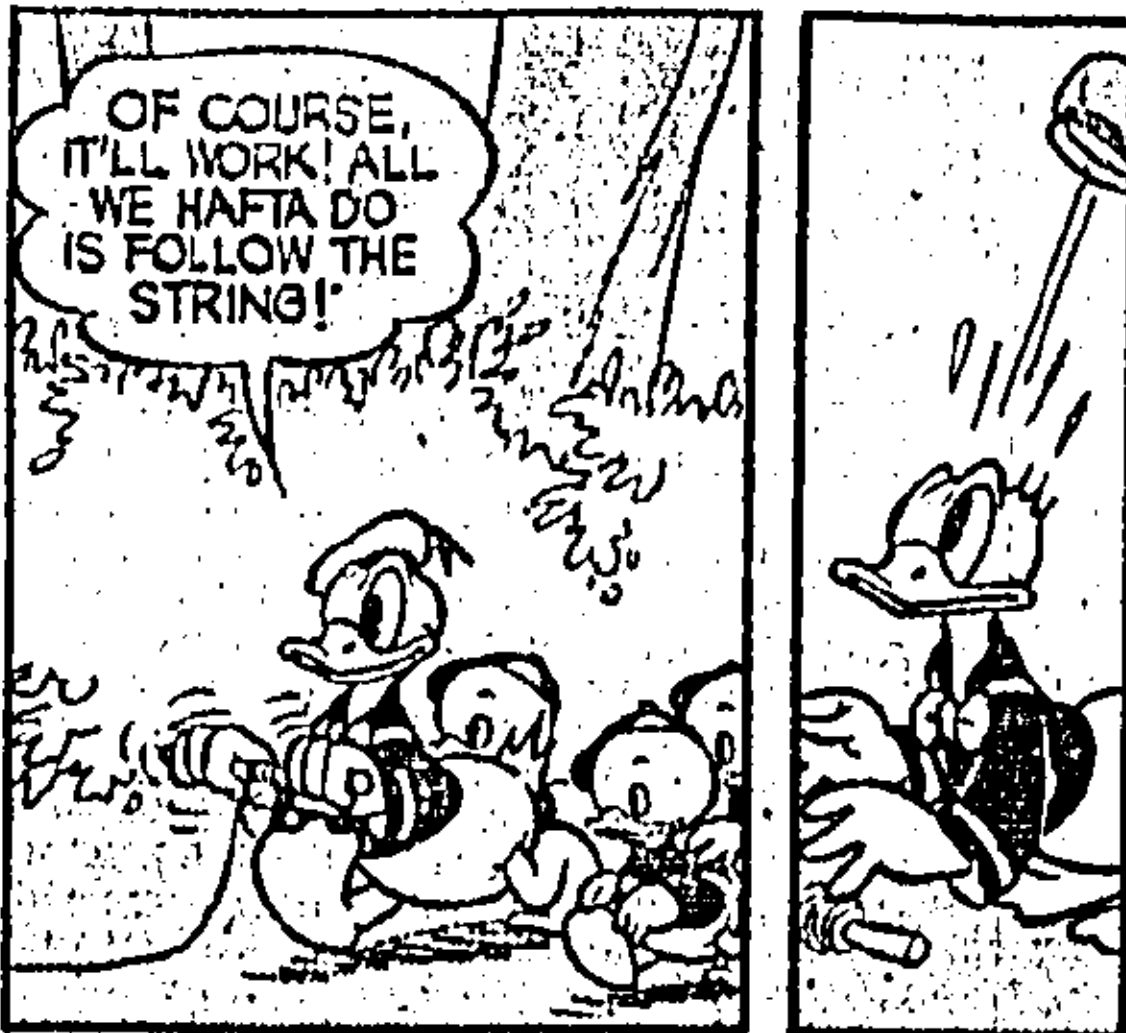
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This was pointed out to the boys recently (see the "Naval Manual of Field Training and Small Arms Drill").



Refugees From Belgium Tell of Bombs

Mother & Newly-Born Twins Die on Voyage

BOMBED and machine-gunned by planes while in trains and in their ship, refugees from Belgium, many of them British, reached London recently after a nightmare journey.

They told of German parachutists dropped on the quay of the Belgian port as the ship was waiting to sail.

They described how a plane machine-gunned women and children lying on the open decks.

They said that one woman gave birth to twins on the voyage to England. She and the babies died.

An Irish Jesuit priest from Ghent said the bombing of the quay and vessel was believed to be the result of the work of two spies who had mingled with the refugees and got aboard the ship earlier in the day.

Parachutist Lynched by Crowd

One young man described how a parachutist came down on the quay and directed his machine gun towards the ship. He was shot by the Belgians before he could open fire.

"They caught 40 parachutists before I left," he added. "One was lynched by the crowd."

Another said he had been told that many parachutists used "Cellophane" parachutes, and were dressed in sky blue overalls, so that it was extremely difficult to see them in the air. When they landed they burned their parachutes.

"Belgium presents a terrible sight," said Mr. S. Meades, of Antwerp. "The roads are jammed with refugee traffic."

Liner Bombed and Sunk

The 55 refugee passengers, all women except five, were saved when the 13,000-ton liner Ville de Bruges was bombed and sunk by Nazi planes. Four of the crew were killed.

Formerly the United States Line crack steamer President Harding, the Ville de Bruges was sold to a Belgian company in February.

Bombed soon after leaving Antwerp on Tuesday she is now lying a burnt out wreck on the bank of the Scheldt.

The story of the attack was told by members of the crew who arrived in London.

Racehorses Slaughtered

Three Englishmen, Mr. Herbert Ellis, Mr. Fred Neal and Mr. Syd Beasley—who have been training horses in Belgium for many years, were among refugees to reach a south-east coast port.

"Many of the racehorses have been slaughtered in order to make sure they don't fall into the hands of the Germans," said Mr. Ellis.

"Butchers were giving 1,400 francs for animals worth thousands of pounds, but there was such a glut of horse meat that I was not even able to give my horses away."

Nazis Have School For Quislings

RINGLEADERS of the Dutch "Quislings" are now prisoners in Allied hands.

From them it has been learned that there is in Berlin a special school for "Quislings" where traitors of many nations are trained by Nazi experts in terrorist and Fifth Column tactics.

Among the prisoners smuggled out of Holland as the Germans came in is Rost van Tonningen, editor of the Dutch Nazi newspaper "Het Nationaal Dagblad"—believed to have been chosen by the Nazis as puppet Dutch ruler.

He and some lesser "Quislings" were imprisoned in the Dutch fortress of Eindhoven, between Willemstad and Moerdijk bridges.

B.E.F. MEN CATCH SPY DISGUISED AS AN OFFICER

WOUNDED B.E.F. men, now in hospitals in the South of England, told a reporter how Fifth Column men had tried to bluff their way through the Allied lines.

"They go about disguised as Belgian officers or soldiers, or as Polish recruits serving with the Allies," an Ulster Rifleman explained.

"They seem able to take most of the uniform and equipment, but what often stumps them is the numerals and regimental badges.

Poor Alibi

"That gives the easiest clue to a spy. As soon as we see a man with his numerals missing we get suspicious—and it is very sad for anyone who rouses that kind of suspicion in us."

"Some have mastered phrases of English and French parrot-like, without knowing what they mean. It is a poor alibi."

One of these spies had hidden in Belgium before the invasion. He appeared in the uniform of a Belgian officer.

Obtaining a car, he drove right through the front lines of the Allies, bluffing even the Belgian troops.

Bomb Plot Discovered

New York, June 27.

According to a Philadelphia despatch to the Daily News a gigantic "Red" bomb plot to destroy a Republican Party is alleged to have been unearthed by G-men and the city authorities in Philadelphia.

The newspaper states that eight bombs were planted in the Convention Hall and other strategic points. Nearly a dozen arrests were made.

Explosives Left In Road

A DRIVER'S mate left a lorry load of explosives unattended while he went to the cinema.

He was fined £5 at Cardiff Police Court.

The man, Jack Fairman, employed by Thames Ammunition Works, Ltd., pleaded guilty.

Mr. Gerald Fox, prosecuting, said the lorry contained 1,600 lb. of T.N.T., a high explosive of the same category as T.N.T., and also a quantity of fuses and detonators. There was grave risk of fire and explosion.

JOURNALIST MARRIED

Mr. Charles Allen And Miss A. T. d'Assis

The wedding took place quietly at St. Margaret's Church, Happy Valley, yesterday, between Mr. Charles Alexander Allen and Miss Aurea Theresa d'Assis. The Rev. Fr. Soddu officiated.

THE BRIDE is the youngest daughter of the late Mr. F. M. d'Assis, retired official of the Chinese Maritime Customs, and Mrs. C. d'Assis, now residing in Shanghai. Miss d'Assis formerly resided for several years in Hankow and Shanghai.

She wore a pretty wedding gown of French cloque, cut on simple princess lines, and carried a bouquet of white roses.

Mr. J. M. Pereira, an old friend of the family, gave her away in marriage, and Mrs. R. F. Oliver, acted as matron-of-honour, wearing a lace trimmed gown of salmon pink, and carrying a bouquet of hydrangeas.

The bridegroom, who is on the Editorial Staff of the South China Morning Post, is the only son of the late Mr. H. A. Allen, of Trinidad, British West Indies, and Mrs. M. Allen, of Hongkong. He was educated at the Diocesan Boys' School. He is a member of No. 3 Machine Gun Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mr. Albert G. Quirk, also on the Editorial Staff of the South China Morning Post, undertook the duties of best man.

The reception, in the form of a Chinese dinner, was held last night at the Golden Dragon Restaurant.

For a going-away dress, Mrs. Allen chose a frock in blue plaid, with white accessories.

NARVIK TRAINS RUNNING

Berlin, June 27.

The Oslo correspondent of the Official News Agency states that the ore railway from Narvik to the Swedish frontier, which the German troops partly blasted after the British occupation of Narvik, has already been repaired for the use of light trains.—United Press.

OVER 4,000 RUBBER WORKERS STRIKE

Communist Activity In Factories & Godowns

MORE than 4,000 rubber workers in Singapore factories and godowns went on strike recently, creating a situation in the industry which is considered to be serious.

An indication of the situation was given by Stanton Nelson and Co., Ltd., in their rubber market review.

They stated: "The interest in rubber, on obvious result of fears regarding shipping routes, has been increased by anxiety over the labour situation in Singapore; it was eventually necessary to inform London that the fulfilment of Ministry of Supply contracts has become uncertain."

Police Action

"Strong police action," added the report, "settled one of the major strikes, other godowns re-opened, and the situation appeared to be easier, but to-day, almost if not all godown labour has again ceased work, and the market has therefore been closed," concludes the report.

The rise in prices, it is stated officially, is due to the world situation and shipping difficulties.

Investigations have shown that the troubles have been fostered by Communist elements, principally workers' committees of the Singapore Red General Labour Union, the most active branch of the Malayan Communist Party.

Strong action has already been taken during the past three days by the police who have executed banishment warrants issued by the Governor-in-Council against principals of the Union.

Repercussion

This latest strike is a repercussion of the action taken against certain men of the Tai Thong Rubber Works, Ltd., which the police raided on a Tuesday and arrested 86 people.

Employers of the rubber workers who struck recently were presented with a single demand calling for the immediate release of these men, coupled with payment of compensation to those who had been injured in the clash at the factory.

Prior to this, there had been a sit-down strike of most rubber godown labourers, who presented demands in some cases numbering 48.

In almost every instance, employers agreed to every request, included.

Killed Her Daughter

Sentenced To Death

"OH, sir, don't say that," a woman cried out to Mr. Justice Lewis as he sentenced her to death at Manchester Assizes, recently.

She was Mrs. Georgina Cashmere, aged 41, of Prescott-road, Liverpool. She had pleaded guilty to the murder of her two-year-old daughter Jane.

The child was found gassed at home. On the previous day the woman's husband had been taken to a mental home.

MALTA FLEET BOMBED

Rome, June 27. A war communiqué today stated: "Italian naval units effectively bombed the British fleet at Salina Bay, Malta."—United Press.



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Federation: Nazi Model

The amazing drive of German mechanised forces has made a whole world wonder about its to-morrow. According to Nazi spokesmen, Europe will be a happier place when Germany can reorganise it. Concurrently Berlin has taken up the idea of federation, already so popular among the Allied peoples. Does this foreshadow that "happier place"? Possibly small nations with only fragmentary experience in democracy may be misled by Berlin's interest in their future; others will not be. No American, for example, could conceive of a "federal" union of the United States with one of the States acting as overlord of all the rest.

But the anomaly does not end here. It requires at least one more monstrosity to complete it: the notion that the leading State in such a union can be an autocracy and yet act as protector of democracy. For federation, as Americans, the British peoples, or the successful Swiss understand it, is synonymous with democracy.

Federation in the language of the Nazis might mean the giving of limited rights of local self-government to communities which did not oppose the Nazi interpretation of Europe's needs. To realise what this interpretation is, one need only consider Hitler's "land policy" as outlined in "Mein Kampf." The cardinal rule of this policy aims at a more or less constant ratio between the German population and the amount of land that Germans actually occupy.

The implications of such a rule hardly fit a pattern of true federation. The Third Reich's leaders have shown that they intend its population to increase steadily. This means that the amount of land that Germany needs must also increase steadily if Hitler's land policy is to be kept intact. Where, then, would States' rights fit in a multi-racial federation under Third Reich tutelage?

Obviously talk of federation under Nazi leadership is meaningless in the language of peoples now enjoying federation. As Thomas Mann has written of the Third Reich, "Force within and peace without—this is an impossible conjunction." It must also be said of federation as discussed in Berlin: Autocracy within and democracy without—this is an impossible supposition.

DO WE KNOW THE FRENCH?

"Of course, the French are so excitable!" How often do we hear this remark! Made, too, in tones of the greatest conviction, so that one never bothers to inquire on what grounds the speaker bases the observation.

French excitability is for most of us an established fact, which we never bother to verify, and which is bolstered up by the popular stage presentation of French people, all shrugs, gasconades, and chatter. And that presentation is as untrue as the French belief that London is eternally shrouded in fog, Scotland snow-bound for six months of the year, and the British diet an unvaried cycle of boiled cabbage, roast beef, and suet pudding.

I remember Paris when Hitler occupied the Rhineland, when the French felt they were on the brink of invasion. There was none of the shrill agitation one might have expected, only quiet groups of people in the streets, talking earnestly and two or three conversing quietly round a cafe table.

Or again, I saw Paris during the strikes in the summer of 1936. There were no chattering mobs, only good-humoured crowds gathered round the big shops watching for glimpses of strikers, much as a crowd at the zoo watches for the appearance of some rare and retiring animal.

It is true that when the French speak they gesticulate and talk quickly, and to us it looks as if they were excited, because we usually gesticulate when speaking only if we are excited.

But the legend of the excitable Frenchman will die hard, as hard as the legend of the wicked Frenchman. There is a widespread conviction that the French are a "naughty" race. Paris is the wicked city. But Paris is no more wicked than London, New York, or Berlin; and that "wickedness" there is, is there largely for the entertainment of the foreign visitor.

Besides, Paris is no more representative of France than London is of Britain, and in Fontainebleau, about 40 miles from Paris, the hotels close at 10 p.m., and there is not a soul to be seen in the streets after that hour.

But if we dispose of the legend of the excitable and wicked Frenchman, whose diet is popularly supposed to consist chiefly of snails and frogs (which I never saw any French person eating during an eight months stay in France, though I did see snails for sale) varied by an occasional dish of horse-flesh (which is sometimes given to invalids in France as a strengthening diet), can we put any truer picture in its place?

Well, in some respects the French and the Scots have similar characteristics. Both are a thifty race, without being mean. All Frenchwomen love a bargain, and take pride in making every centime pull its weight. They are a hard-working race. French people begin the day much earlier than we do (they think the British are a lazy race, though those who know enough to do so would probably make a distinction in this respect between English and Scots, in favour of the former), and

seven o'clock is a normal hour for breakfast. The schools begin at eight in the morning.

The French are fond of simple amusements. On Sundays they go in families to the parks and woods, and spend the day strolling in the sun, reading and sleeping in the shade, or paddling round the lake in a boat (all French parks have a pond or lake). On public holidays they may go farther afield and spend the day fishing in some pond or stream—just as we say, papa fishes, while mama cooks over a picnic fire, and the children tumble around.

On week-days you will find the parks full of mothers and children, the mothers knitting and sewing (never idle-handed), the children making sand-piles with the sand of the paths. Sometimes a father appears and plays with them in an unselfconscious abandon which I have yet to see displayed by a father in our parks.

The French are above all a nation of families. In France the family tie is immensely strong. You can see this, for one thing, in their funeral notices. A funeral notice is not issued merely in the name of, say, the widow and the children, but also in the name of the children-in-law, sisters, brothers, uncles, aunts, and cousins of the deceased; all mentioned by name and with their relationship exactly specified.

The reason why parents in France exercise a greater control over the marriages of their children is because they regard a marriage not simply as a union between two individuals, but as a union of families.

They are, too, a very practical, logical people. Sometimes they sacrifice comfort to practicality as in their underground railway (the Metro). No one, they argue, would ever ride in the Metro for pleasure, but only to go from place to place quickly. So the Metro trains are speedy, admirably organised, and uncomfortable.

French people like good food, smart clothes, beautiful buildings, easily-run homes. They enjoy life. They believe in letting everyone alone to enjoy life in his own way, and they expect to be left alone themselves. That's why they do not at first make so good an impression on the stranger as other races. They don't fling open their doors to you till they are sure you will be congenial company; then they will treat you with infinite kindness and courtesy.

What more can be added? I have dwelt on the more everyday qualities of the French, but it must be remembered that they are probably the most artistic race in Europe, and that the love and appreciation of art in all its forms, but more especially of painting, is widely diffused throughout the population. On Sundays the Louvre is crowded with family parties who are enjoying the pictures.

The French are, too, an intensely patriotic people. We in Britain have nothing corresponding to the 14th of July, the day which commemorates the fall of the Bastille, and which, besides being a veritable festival of patriotism, expresses the French consciousness of that tradition of liberty of speech and of life which is their greatest contribution to European culture.

J. H. Caird

JAMES AGATE picked this out

Weep no more, woful Shepherds weep no more,
For Lycidas your sorrow is not dead,
Sunk though he be beneath the watery floor.
So sinks the day-star in the Ocean bed,
And yet anon repairs his drooping head,
And tricks his beams, and with new swags
Flames in the forehead of the morning sky:
So Lycidas sunk low, but mounted high,
Through the dear might of Him that walk'd the waves,
Where other groves, and other streams along,
With Nectar pure his oozy Locks he taves,
And hears the unexpressed nuptial Song,
In the blest Kingdoms meek of joy and love.
There entertain him all the Saints above,
In solemn troops and sweet Societies
That sing, and singing in their glory move,
And wipe the tears for ever from his eyes.
Now, Lycidas, the Shepherds weep no more;
Henceforth thou art the Genius of the shore,
In thy large recompense, and shalt be good
To all that wander in that perilous flood.

JOHN MILTON.
Elegy on a friend drowned in the Irish Channel, 1637.

A Woman Rules Stalin's Timber City

UP on the roof of the world, right inside the Arctic Circle, Russia has opened a new back door on to the Atlantic. It is a back door diplomatically as well as geographically. Through it Stalin, while shaking hands with Hitler's trade envoys in Moscow, plans to sell timber to Britain.

The two most useful ports on this Arctic Sea, pioneered by early explorers in an effort to find a North-East Passage to the Indies, were, appropriately enough, discovered by Britain.

The landing of 150 British marines in April 1916 at Murmansk, in the north-west corner of Russia, the first units of the force sent to draw Germany back to the Eastern Front, drew attention to the potentialities of the country's all-the-year-round ice-free port.

The Gulf Stream and Mr. Stalin have continued in successful collaboration to make one of the principal outlets for West Russia.

But 1,500 miles further east, in the mouth of the Yenisei River, lies Igarka, the real outlet for Siberia's timber and the glamour city of Russia's amazing development in the Arctic.

Igarka, too, owes its origin to the English. Captain Joseph Wiggins in 1870 talked cautious London bankers into financing a ship to weather the Arctic and bring back a cargo of gold, furs and timber from Siberia, then to the Western world a much darker place than the Africa of Stanley and Livingstone.

Captain Wiggins reached the Yenisei in his ship, the Thames, as winter was setting in. He left his vessel in a snug tributary of the main river and hurried back to Europe by dog sledges with stories of the fabulous wealth of Siberia.

He reported his great journey across the snow in the opposite direction in the spring. After two months

—and this
is how he
took it—

SEVENTEEN Years ago

I was a waiter in a cafe in France (30s. a week), then a publisher's dogsbody (£2), an actor (£3), a budding novelist (£5), a hopeless no-good (£-nil), a very junior B.B.C. official (£6—wealth), editor of the Radio Times (£20), variety director (£35), producer of "Balalaika" (£75), Hollywood screen writer of "Good-bye Mr. Chips" (£200) and to-day a minor Government official (£4).

Half-way between the bad actor and the budding novelist—about the 1924 stage—that's where I am to-day. I won't pretend that its the only money I am ever likely to have, because I made a whole heap (and spent it) and intend one day soon to make a whole heap more.

But because it happens to be all the ready cash that's coming in, and because I believe that this is a time at which to work hard for the country and not to throw money around on easy living, I firmly intend to live on my £4.

WHEN I came here (to Liverpool) they put me in billets—gave me "digs."

I am writing this to-night in digs. So like the ledgers of my touring actor days that I have to think twice to convince myself that I am not back in the merry old days of 1924. A rickety table, one chair, a pretty comfortable bed with sheets that feel as thin as tissue paper, coal fire that costs me four pence a night, a bath that requires a shilling shoe shine outfit with which to brighten my £5-a-pair shoes.

In the wardrobe a carton of cheese, a packet of biscuits, a quarter of butter provide a Government servant with supper... that's the life, boys.

The grand thing is—I like it. I like queuing anxiously for the bathroom at 7.30, wolfing my breakfast and galloping for the tram that rattles me along to work. It is astonishing to find, at thirty-eight, that you can still have the fun you had at twenty-three. I am not allowed to smoke at work. That saves me thirty cigarettes a day—or 10s. 6d. a week.

It is, oddly enough, no hardship to do without a second drink at night in order to be able to save up for a week-end ticket to town in a fortnight's time.

FIVE HUNDRED men are working at the same job as I am—retired colonels, baronets, Russian princes, barristers, journalists, actors and clerks. All but about fifty of them get the same £4 a week, live in the same tram.

And they like it too. Three men have cars and live at the local Grand Hotel. They are looked down on as pariahs.

You see we think we are doing a job that matters. And we are finding in the comradeship of £4 pay office, the canteen and the billets something precious that most of us had almost lost in the world of money, snobbery and pretence.

Almost all of us have tried to get into the Army and been firmly but kindly turned down for the moment. But this isn't such a bad substitute till the times come along.

We talk a great deal out of office hours, after supper or over the odd beer. We don't talk about our work, but about the times we live in and the times that lie ahead.

NOT one of us, I believe, thinks in his heart of the old world will come back again. Many of us quite frankly don't want it to. And somehow that £4 pay envelope on Saturdays seems to be the best preparation for the new world that we've got to make for ourselves and our brothers after war.

I should add this postscript though—£4 a week or no £4 a week, I get back to that little table and that fourpenny fire by halfpast seven and all night long... scribbling at the new play that I hope one day will be as much fun to produce as some of the others.

P.S. As we used to say in the last war—"Dear mother, I am sending you a pound—but not this week!"

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TRAINING SCHEME

Big Success Claimed
By Mr. Bevin

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—The present position of the Government Training Scheme was described by Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, he took his seat in the House of Commons this afternoon for the first time.

The number of civilians at the Government training centres is now 10,700, he revealed, and this is a record, being nearly 1,000 more than a week ago and 2,000 more than a fortnight ago.

Thousands Still Needed
In the last four weeks over 6,000 men had been sent to the training centres. This is also a record, but many thousands more are needed. Those awaiting entry will be speedily absorbed and a continuous flow is needed to keep the centres at full strength and to fill the new places being provided.

HITLER'S ENIGMA PEOPLE'S APATHY

FROM PAGE ONE

Films are astonishing but overwhelming. Every detail of raging warfare is presented—prisoners wounded and dead, ruins, explosions etc. They are all accompanied by a flaming Nazi propaganda monologue. The result is too strong for the public who become numb and apathetic.

At the end of the film there is no applause, no cheering—the public is silent.

No one cares to rejoice over a victory after seeing such pictures.

Growing Immune
It appears that the German people are growing immune to the propaganda which is poured on them day after day. It fires rather than exhilarates them.

France is defeated and England remains. France was never hated but the English are hated.

Various methods of attack on England are being discussed—landing with rapid small boats after aircraft have bombed fortifications and a secret "freedom" method (used against the Albert Canal and the Maginot Line) has put the coastal batteries and breech pieces out of action; blockade from the air by destroying important harbours; the mass landing of troops by parachute and troops by planes.

But the fact remains that the German people are not enthusiastic over the war.

They Want Peace
They wish to return to their normal life to work and raise their living standard.

They wish to cease seeing long Red Cross trains which are moving hospitals at night; they wish to cease seeing obituary notices in the papers showing that the ranks of youth are being thinned.

Meanwhile how can a nation that has concentrated on war for six years return to a peaceful life? How can a great military camp become a peaceful community?

Even if Germany attains a dominant place in Europe there are still many problems left for her to solve. And the world is not yet over. It should be borne in mind that "England loses every battle except the last."

DAYLIGHT RAID ON GERMANY

FROM PAGE ONE

Hanover, was hit and fires were started. Other bombers attacked oil refineries at Bremen and a factory at Salzgitter.

All our aircraft returned safely. This morning our fighter patrols over France attacked two enemy aircraft. One of the enemy planes was destroyed.

Four members of the crew of a Heinkel bomber, that participated in raids on Great Britain last night, were landed at an east coast port today.

This confirms that three enemy bombers were destroyed in these operations. The fourth is known to have been seriously damaged.

TUNG

Pictures Tell Story
LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Some indication of the work done by the R.A.F. was given by photographs which appeared in the British press today.

One picture shows 10 bombs dropping on oil tanks at Mulheim, near Cologne. A second picture shows three bombs dropping on marshalling yards at the important railway junction at Hamm.

A third picture was taken by a young Canadian pilot of the Fleet Air Arm. It shows a German gun emplacement near Calais. Clouds of smoke show where one bomb fell between the emplacement and the cliffs. The second bomb hit the gun.

Even the Germans admit that the R.A.F. are doing a lot of work. An announcement from Berlin stated that 371 bombs were dropped on German territory in one night alone.

KING ZOG IN LONDON

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—King Zog, formerly King of Albania, arrived in London today. He was accompanied by Queen Geraldine and his three sisters.

Herbert Morrison's Encouraging Speech

BRITAIN'S ARMAMENTS RAPIDLY MOUNTING

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—The Minister of Supply, Mr. Herbert Morrison, to-day reported increases in the rate of arms production to the House of Commons.

At the same time Mr. Morrison uttered a warning that the last thing he wishes the House and Country to believe was that things were satisfactory.

"They are not," he said. "They could not be satisfactory in the circumstances of the case, but I can only say that they are becoming nearer and nearer to satisfaction as the days pass along."

Asked whether he would consider giving more precise details of production when the House went into session later to-day, Mr. Morrison said he would consider the suggestion but the House would forgive him if he exercised reasonable care.

Mr. Morrison emphasised that he took over a running concern and it was not for him to say whether the lay-out of the department was right or wrong. It was not his lay-out.

Some Of The Increases

Moreover there were decisions in policy which vitally affected supply. Mr. Morrison announced that the increase in the output of cruiser and infantry tanks for June, compared with April, was 115 per cent. and carriers 64 per cent.

In a wide range of guns, the increase ranged from about 50 per cent. in two items up to as much as 225 per cent. for another item.

Small arms output showed increases ranging between 40 and 180 per cent.

The output of ammunitions of various kinds showed an increase ranging between 35 and 420 per cent. (Cheers)

Tribute To Workers

Mr. Morrison did not claim the credit for this "encouraging spirit of production" during these critical weeks. It was due to the spirit at the Ministry and particularly to the fine response made by the working people to the appeals of Ministers.

"I give one instance of the new spirit. On June 19 I gave orders for millions of a certain weapon. Already the output has reached nearly 250,000 a week, namely, between four and five times the previous production and that output will grow."

Mr. Morrison added that fundamental changes in production had been carried through both in regard to machine tools and tanks. The truth about tanks was that there had been no clarification of what tanks had been wanted. The argument could not go on for ever. It was now arranged for the requirements to be notified definitely with all possible speed through one focal point.

Without The Frills

In the meantime they were concentrating on the greatest possible output of those tanks which proved to be satisfactory without worrying about over-elaboration of design, frills and fancy pieces that were not vital.

Some machine tool production had increased 50 per cent. Some 80,000 machine tools per annum were being made available from all sources.

£3,000,000 worth of machine tools ordered by us for France from the United States and Canada would be delivered in six weeks.

The war material position was broadly satisfactory. Very big orders were placed in America and elsewhere for raw material. It was better to have too much than risk having too little.

Possible Siego

"We must face possible siege conditions," he said. Imports of munitions from the Empire and United States were growing. Canada was vigorously co-operating with us.

Orders to the value of nearly £5,000,000 were placed in the last few weeks.

Australia had sent large quantities of small arms and munitions from her own stocks, including bombs, shells and fuses.

The whole surplus capacity of India had been taken up, and the Indian Government was now bringing into production various private firms.

TUNG

Very big things were being done in India and a most excellent spirit existed there.

American Co-operation

The requirements from America fell into two classes. The urgent and immediate requirements are being bought, in many cases from stocks including field glasses, Thomson guns, magazines and ammunitions, together with rifles and machine-guns.

"Our long term needs, we are obtaining wherever we can, suitable existing weapons in America with all possible speed."

"I have to thank the American authorities for their ready co-operation in the matter."

"We shall need also very large requirements in respect of machine tools and in connection with the tank and gun programme. These are being dealt with by the Purchasing Commission in America, a highly-equipped body having appropriate contacts in the United States and acting in conjunction with the Government of the United States."

"We must proceed to a long term programme in the United States, which means that there must be co-operation with our Purchasing Commission for certain necessary adaptations to American industry."

Preparing For Offensive
For the next few months, his Ministry would concentrate quite properly on immediate production, but they were not forgetting the longer

Nazis Short Of Pilots

Drive Amongst Youth For Volunteers

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—

Reuter's correspondent on the German frontier telegraphs that there is intensive propaganda among the Hitler Youth for volunteers for the German Air Force.

This is regarded as evidence that the recent losses have been heavy. Men belonging to the class from 1904 to 1920 have not yet been called up but have been told to present themselves immediately to the local authorities.

The German newspapers are full of announcements of soldiers killed in action.

The Swiss newspaper "Bund" reports that German wounded are housed in hotels and hospitals all along the Rhine from Basle to the shores of Lake Constance.

Plane Down In Desert

Italian Crew Taken Prisoner

ADEN, June 27 (Reuter).—

An Italian bomber was forced down into the desert 150 miles from Aden some days ago. The bomber is now on view in Aden.

When it came down, its crew of five were taken prisoner. The British pilot who took them prisoner flew the plane back to Aden.

His feat in taking off from a strange rocky valley drew admiration from the Italian airmen.

Smart Militiamen

A second Italian bomber which was forced down in French Somaliland was captured by two solitary Somali militiamen.

In spite of intense fire from the plane's machine-guns they crept towards it and forced the three surviving members of the crew to surrender.

While one Somali stood guard over the plane the other marched his prisoners back to the nearest post.

340 ALIENS RELEASED

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—

Since September last, 340 aliens have been released from internment. Sir John Anderson (Home Secretary) revealed to-day.

These were mostly young people of from 16 to 17 years of age, none (who have been allowed to return to their parents) and technicians needed for work of national importance.

About 750 British citizens are at present being detained in this country.

view so that they were prepared for offensive as well as defensive action. Immediately after Mr. Morrison's speech, the House of Commons went into a secret session.

More And More Planes

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—This evening, Mr. Herbert Morrison gave a broadcast which was similar to his statements given in the House of Commons.

He said that besides all the consignments of planes and ammunition we had drawn and were drawing from stock in American aerodromes and arsenals, we were receiving a steady and increasing stream of engines of war, particularly aircraft engines in American plants to our orders.

Lord Beaverbrook told him our orders brought into the service of Britain's war machine every leading aircraft firm in the United States. The machines included the famous Hudson-Lockheed bomber, the Douglas Brewster fighter, training planes and a large number of flying boats besides Northrop bombers and Curtiss fighters which had recently been released to us.

Tremendous Acquisition
Lord Beaverbrook said that the great growing orders that had been placed would mean a tremendous acquisition to our fighting strength in the near future and would also mean that there would have been built up on our initiative, a great aircraft producing industry in the United States.

Besides planes, added Mr. Morrison, many thousands of Aero engines were ordered from America in the autumn and many more thousands were order recently.

Mr. Morrison concluded by emphasising the need to "steel our hearts and blunt the edge of that weapon of terror which is so persistently and deliberately used against us. Germany has never yet beaten a country which they have not at first weakened and eaten away from within. They will never beat a country which they cannot intimidate, divide and corrupt."

NAZIS URGE CAROL ACCEPT

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invaded country appealed to the guarantors for assistance.

Demands Considered

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—According to a Bucharest dispatch to the Italian news agency, the Rumanian Crown Council met for two hours this morning to discuss the Russian demands over Bessarabia and Bukovina.

A further meeting of the Council was called for 8 p.m. to decide on the reply to the Soviet.

According to the most prevalent reports, adds the dispatch, the Rumanian Government consider that immediate contacts should be established with the Soviet, and they will appoint a Commission for direct discussions with a Soviet Commission to examine the Soviet demands, with the view to a peaceful solution.

ITALIANS USE TANKS

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hours and then withdrew without loss.

Further south on the Italian Somali-Kenya border, British ground patrols penetrated 20 miles into Italian territory without meeting any opposition.

The Nairobi authorities continue to receive reports from Abyssinia and Italian Somaliland that the Africans press into military service are deserting to our side.

Djibuti To Fight On

Aden, June 27 (Reuter).—The authorities at Djibuti intend to fight on, according to a reliable report received here.

The Governor, M. Deschamps, is being strongly supported in his stand by General Legentil Homme, Commanding the French Troops, who said he was "confident of his ability to cope with any situation."

7 RAIDS ON MALTA

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the sea and on uninhabited and non-military areas.

Kenya Raids

NAIROBI, June 27 (Reuter).—An official communiqué issued to-day stated that three aircraft yesterday attacked the British at Moyale on the borders of Kenya and Abyssinia. Fifteen bombs were dropped but there was no damage or casualties.

Two planes were attacked at Wajir to-day when again 15 bombs were dropped without damage or casualties.

STOCK EXCHANGE IMPROVEMENT

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, an all-round improvement was noted owing to a brighter interpretation of war news.

Industrials recovered a good part of the recent losses, the leading stocks showing considerable gains. Kaffirs were quietly absorbed and the base metals advanced in sympathy.

Oils were also stronger. Gilt-edged securities were quiet, mainly firm.

Wall Street was firm.

RUSSIAN TROOPS MARCH

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4.—The naval base at Tulcea, on the north bank of the Danube, to be ceded.

6.—The Danubian port of Giurgiu, 40 miles south of Bucharest, to be ceded.

Bucharest-Radio announced at 8.30 p.m. (2.30 a.m. H.K.T.) that the Rumanian Crown Council has decided to discuss the cessation of Bessarabia and northern Bukovina.

A Rumanian delegation is prepared to meet the Soviet representatives at a time and place to be nominated by Russia.

Nazi Troops On Spanish Border

MADRID, June 27 (Reuter).—German troops have arrived on the Franco-Spanish border at Hendaye.

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—The Sultan of Johore to-day handed over to the Colonial Secretary a cheque for £250,000 as his gift to the British Government for the prosecution of the war.

WAR FUND

Rope Company Sends \$5,000 Cheque

A cheque for \$5,000 from the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co. Ltd. headed this morning's donations to the War Fund.

A substantial amount was received yesterday and at 4 p.m. the totals had reached \$1,136,022.50 and £2,742.4s. 6d. Some \$1,500,000 each were sent by Thorsen and Co., and the Menam River Towage and Lighter Co., and Chinese subscriptions included \$1,000 each from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and the Tai Hang Rubber Factory, and a similar sum from Mr. Foo Kam. The many smaller subscriptions totalled a substantial amount, and it can again be emphasised that every dollar counts. As Mr. E. de la Roche, Governor said in his broadcast appeal, nobody need be deterred by being unable to send a large amount.

The latest list of subscriptions is as follows:

Mr. W. M. Brown	100.
Messrs. Philbean & Co.	100.
The Tai Hang Rubber Factory	1,000.
Mr. Yau Kiam	500.
James Yau & Co.	500.
Mr. & Mrs. T. V. N. Fortescue	250.
Miss K. K. Gordon	250.
Mr. & Mrs. W. E. Kirby	100.
The N.A.A.F.F. Married Families' (Cent. Box) (Stanley Barracks)	13.
Mr. & Mrs. A. L. Potter	70.
Mr. & Mrs. W. T. Hart	70.
Anon. per B.	25.
Mr. A. J. M. Rodriguez Sr.	100.
Mr. T. Hong	100.
Mr. C. Y. Chan	10.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	5,000.
Staff. A. S. Watson & Co. Ltd.	500.00
Messrs. Harrison, King & Irwin Ltd.	500.
Mrs. N. J. Perrin	100.
Mr. & Mrs. B. H. Jordan	100.

N. ZEALAND'S DETERMINATION

WELLINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—

"As Britain's task becomes harder and her peril greater, we in New Zealand are increasingly strengthened in our determination to stand by her and give all the aid in our power," said the Prime Minister, Mr. Peter Fraser, in a statement in the House of Representatives on the war situation.

British peoples, he continued, had no illusions regarding the dangers and difficulties ahead, but were fully determined to carry on and prove that their resolute temper and spirit of independence were sufficient to withstand and overcome the fiercest attacks.

BIG VOTE FOR U.S. ARMY & NAVY

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—

President Roosevelt to-day signed the Supplementary Defence Bill giving the United States War and Navy Departments \$1,400,000,000 in cash appropriations and authority to make additional contracts totalling \$200,000,000.

This is in addition to the regular \$200,000,000 appropriations which Congress voted for the Army and Navy for the coming fiscal year.

The Supplementary Bill will enable the Navy to begin the construction of 22 new warships and to speed the construction of over 100.

It will enable the Army to build thousands of new aeroplanes.

WAR GIFT FROM BARBADOS

BARBADOS, June 27 (Reuter).—

A special meeting of the Legislature has passed a resolution praying the Governor to donate £100,000 from the island's finances to the British Government to assist the prosecution of the war.

General satisfaction is expressed at this action.

LATEST POSITION IN INDO-CHINA

TOKYO, June 28 (Reuter).—The latest information from the Indo-China frontier shows that Japanese troops, which started operations on June 17, captured Lungchow on June 25 and advanced to Mingkiang yesterday.

They plan to sever all communication between Indo-China and Chungking.



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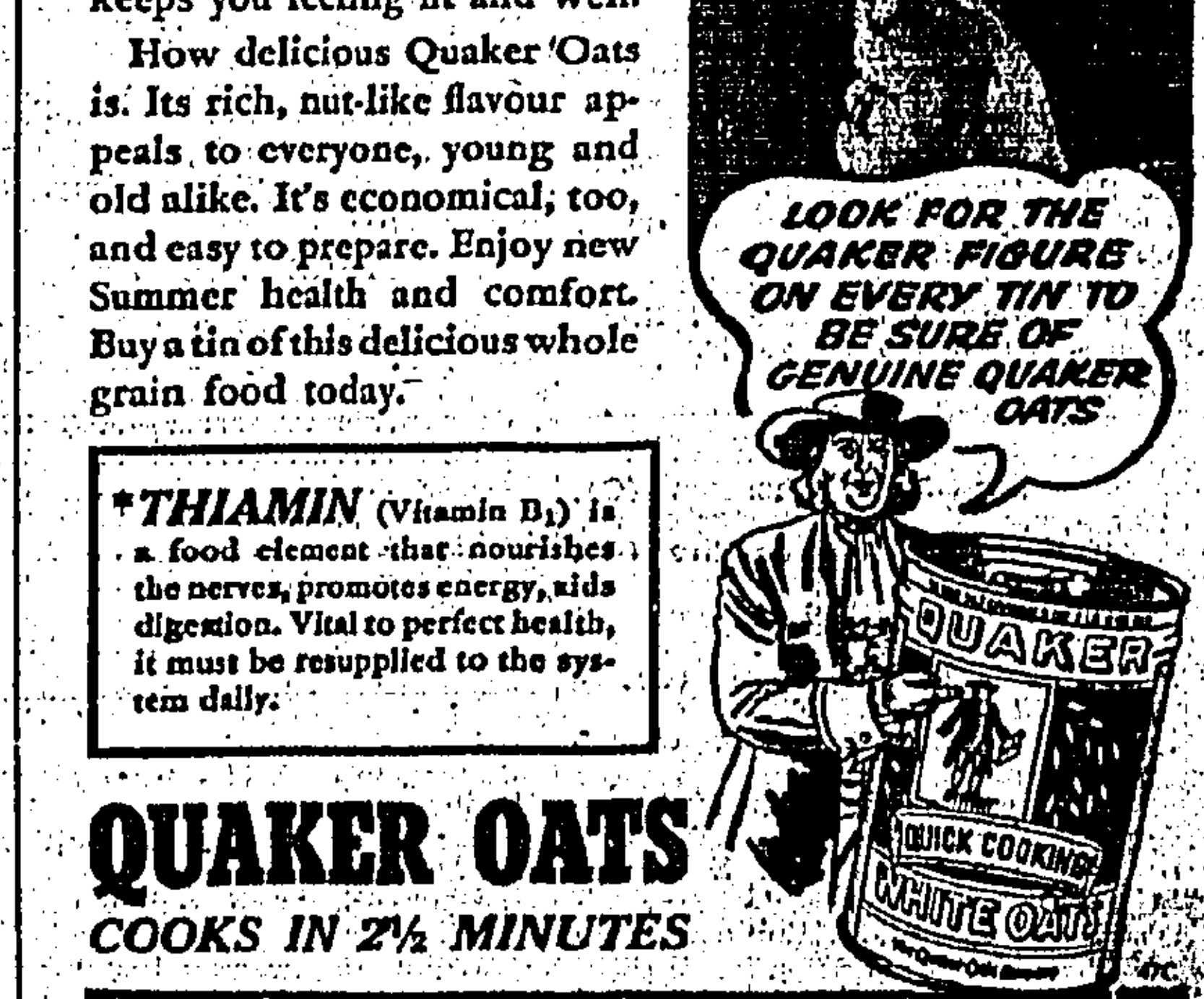
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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

FANLING-MACAO SEASONS

Entries' Restriction Should Be Lifted At Kwanti Course

THERE IS NO PREFERENTIAL CHARGE at livery in the Hongkong Jockey Club stables between a tough 'un and a three-legged steed, but a "D" or even an "E" class China pony can set one's heart leaping with greater joy than could an "A" class racer for its proud owner.

Apart from the high initial expenses of getting a first class griffin, the events set aside for "A" division ponies at the extra meetings have been few and far between, and no doubt the idea was to keep them away from the racecourse. The "D" and "E" class raters have been kept very busy during the six months ended at Happy Valley, Fanling and Macao, and a few good owners have earned some big money.

There is no doubt that the lower classes have been the mainstay of the Macao Jockey Club, and it was only quite recently that the Fanling Hunt and Race Club catered for the small owners.

When the Hongkong Government disbanded the Machine Gun Troop of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, the racing committee of the Fanling Hunt Club had great difficulty in framing suitable programme to attract punters, and furthermore the financial position was facing the stewards with a certain amount of awe. Unless there were a rapid improvement in attendance, the country club would have had no alternative but to put up the shutters.

However, since the club adopted a course in providing half of the programme with flat events for the lower classes of China and Australian ponies, their "red ink" balance in the bank soon changed from one extremely to the other's credit of Victoria Peak and the Fanling Hunt Club is very healthy to-day.

There is reason to believe that the list of membership of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club has a very low percentage of cosmopolitan owners and jockeys, and I am sure that an energetic drive will undoubtedly influence a good crowd from Happy Valley to join.

The writer is not attempting to set the house in order, but the classes (flat events numbering generally from 4 to 6 are also open to members of the Hongkong Jockey Club) should not, in my opinion, be seen on the entry form for 1940/1941's racing season. Considering that there are not more than three or four meetings in a season, a yearly subscription of \$10 to an owner or jockey (who is a member of the Hongkong Jockey Club) is a small item and at the same time it will be a revenue to the club. In the past it was necessary to open the Club because Fanling wanted entries and I am of the frank opinion that time has come for a wider change.

LIGHT BLUES WIN RETURN ATHLETIC MEET

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY won the athletic return with Oxford at Illey Road by 67 points to 49 and registered first place in nine of the 13 events.

Oxford were successful as before in carrying off the two jumps.

The South African athlete and Cambridge president, E. Hudson-Bennett, won the discus, weight and javelin, a fine day's work.

J. Morrish, of Oxford, had an eye on a triple event, but hurt his ankle in running second in the sprint. He won the long jump with one effort of 21ft 5in, but had to cry off for the high jump, in which, however, Oxford filled first two places.

Running was rather undistinguished excepting in the case of R. C. Hope-Jones in the 880 yards.

RESULTS

100 yards—J. M. Thomson (C).
107 yards—A. C. H. de Piro, (C).
114 yards—A. C. H. de Piro, (C).
120 yards—R. C. Hope-Jones, 1 min. 56 secs.
1 mile—N. H. Moynihan (C), 4 min. 20.4 secs.
3 miles—R. A. B. Clough (C), 15 min. 0 secs.
120 yards hurdles—R. Nicholson (C), 16.4 secs.
220 yards hurdles—A. E. Barker (O), 20.4 secs.
Pole vault—A. M. Robinson (O), 10 ft. 0 ins.
High jump—A. E. Barker (O), 6

Governor's Cup Won Outright

By annexing the Governor's Cup on second occasion with his Meadow Eve (Mr. H. S. Chang), the owner, Mr. Liang Hau-yuen has won the trophy outright and the success was in a certain measure due to the fine handling of the grey charger by the jockey. It was, however, a fine finish, the winner beating Hogmanay (Mr. Hoo Pak-ming) by half length, and a length behind came Fairy Ousel piloted by Mr. Nolasco. On the running (without prejudice) the last named pony should have won if a "black-letter" jockey was up.

Successful Closing Meet At Macao On Sunday Last

THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB brought a successful first half racing season to a close last Sunday. There was a good crowd in spite of the fact that Mr. R. H. Charles (Starter), a few local jockeys and men of the turf were left behind owing to the breakdown of the S.S. Macau.

As a sign of respect, flags were at half-mast on the track owing to the passing of Mrs. Menezes Alves, the wife of the Colonial Secretary of Macao, who is the senior judge and a Steward of the Macao Jockey Club.

"E" class China ponies always played an important part at Macao meetings and there were enough four-footed snobs at Arela Preta last Sunday to give a final display of their propelling

powers. But, unfortunately, a couple or more of the steeds could not be saddled owing to lack of jockeys and even with the requisition of all the novices, the biggest field was seven runners in two events.

Mr. H. S. Chang was the only "full-blown cavalier" and much was expected of his five mounts. He just managed to get home first in the main event, the Governor's Cup, the apprentice Mr. F. A. Sequela beating him twice on the post, and Messrs. G. W. Cooper and Chiu Ki-fan each gave the Hankow rider a clean knock-out. Mr. Sequela broke his "duck" on his pony New Bedford and his other win was on King's Worlby.

The best dividend of the afternoon was \$57.50 paid by Black Diamond with Mr. J. Nolasco in the saddle in the George Potts Memorial Cup, which was a novice event, and the rider nursed his mount to a nicety.

League Tennis

SOUTH CHINA TAKE LEAD IN "D" DIVISION

THE SOUTH CHINA Athletic Association took the lead in the "D" Division of the Lawn Tennis League yesterday as a result of their overwhelming victory over the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club. South China was 8½ sets to ½.

The Chinese Recreation Club "A" and "B" teams, with an equal number of points, take second and third places. Yesterday, the "A" team trounced the Kowloon Cricket Club 7½-½. The "B" team were not engaged.

The scores were:

FILIPINOS V. I.R.C.

Filipinos beat Indians 5-4 at Sookunpo. M. A. Wahab and K. M. Rumliah beat F. Ribeiro and F. Gonzales 6-4, lost to A. Barker and L. Souza 5-7, beat P. Chinn and A. Kwan 6-0. S. A. B. Bux and M. Moondharie lost to Ribeiro and Gonzales 6-7, lost to Barker and Souza 4-6, beat Chinn and Kwan 6-3.

J. Kitchell and M. I. Razack lost to Ribeiro and Gonzales 3-6, lost to Barker and Souza 4-6, beat Chinn and Kwan 6-0.

C.R.C. "A" V. KOWLOON

Chinese R.C. "A" beat Kowloon 7½-½. Gillard and Kwan beat T. F. Lo and H. N. Chai 7-5, lost to P. H. Chiu and W. C. Choy 2-6, lost to C. Wei and K. N. Li 4-6. Stokes and Perry lost to Lo and Chai 4-6, lost to Chiu and Choy 3-6, tied with Wei and Li 6-6. Crabbe and Turpin lost to Lo and Chai 4-6, lost to Chiu and Choy 3-6, lost to Wei and Li 3-6.

WIN FOR SOUTH CHINA

South China beat Kowloon Indians 8½-½. S. R. Sallie and M. Ramzan lost to C. S. Wong and S. Y. Li 2-6, lost to K. N. Li and K. C. Wong 2-6, tied with K. C. Wan and K. Sung 6-6. G. M. Khan and M. H. Hassan lost to Wong and Li 2-6, lost to Ng and Wong 2-6, lost to Wan and Sung 3-6. Jahan Dad and A. R. Azam lost to Wong and Li 1-6, lost to Ng and Wong 1-6, lost to Wan and Sung 1-6.

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pos.
S.C.A.A.	3	3	0	0	24	3	1
C.R.C. "A"	3	3	0	0	20½	6½	2
C.R.C. "B"	3	2	1	0	18	9	3
Filipino Club	3	2	1	0	16	11	4
Indian R.C.	3	1	1	1	13	14	5
K.C.C.	4	1	2	1	11½	20½	6
K.C.C.	4	1	2	1	12	24	7
K.C.C.	4	1	2	1	12	24	8
K.C.C.	4	1	2	1	12	24	9

*Match decided on five sets.

Collyer and J. F. McGowan.
2nd team v. Police (away)—
P. D. Crawley, H. Lloyd, H. F. Harper and C. Strange.
A. F. Shepherd, J. H. Wardle, E. Kirmen and W. R. Hillier.
C. J. Walker, J. R. Carr, A. Steven and S. Eccleshall.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC

v. Kowloon F.C. (home)—
A. G. Gardner, W. Stoker, J. F. Lunny and A. F. Paul.
A. P. Tarbuck, C. E. Gahagan, S. Deacon and J. K. Sloan.
R. A. Owens, W. E. Baker, G. T. Padgett and G. S. Thomson.
Reserve, R. F. Gregory.

"D" AND "E" CLASS STAKES

Portrush Collects \$1,600 In The Higher Grade

PORTRUSH HEADS the list of "D" class runners with \$1,600 to his credit, but I think Emergency Call's achievement of collecting \$1,300 was a notable success and it must not be overlooked that the latter was a subscription griffin of 1935 class, Portrush being of 1939.

Although the stable is named "Kia Ora", it is reliably learned that Miss P. G. Baldwin is the owner, and she has certainly been endowed with some luck.

She purchased the pony at the 1928 December sale and Emergency Call had a second (\$300) out of 11 outings during 1939. As the pony did not meet with any success over the sticks, the chestnut was again brought back to the flat and the first attempt at the Annual Carnival was a second in the second section of the Chefoo Handicap. After this he had two more placed outings, but Emergency Call was not considered to have a chance over short distances and the form book was quite correct.

The punting fraternity was left dumfounded when the chestnut with Mr. Black in the saddle romped home first in the second section of the Shatin Handicap over a scramble from the ½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards) and he paid to the delight of his owner, \$207.50 for a win. In addition Miss Baldwin's Arabian Cat has also done well with a gain of \$450.

The other chasers from Fanling have not disappointed their owners, March Brown gaining a total of \$700 and Double Chance finished the first half with an aggregate of \$625 collected from the three races.

TIGRESS COMES BACK

THE Tigress was originally owned by Messrs. Tester and Abraham. As a griffin of 1939, the mare was hopeless and after the big meeting the mare found a new home. She won two common events in Macao and with no further success after a sequence of unplaced outings, the grey was demoted to "E" class.

The Tigress then spent a few months in Shatin and when she returned to Happy Valley the damsel was another animal.

Her last outing was a win in the Smugglers Handicap over a mile and the victory, of course, has sent the Tigress back to "D" company. She made \$1,075.

STAKE WINNERS

THE following is a list of stake money won by "D" class China ponies:

Acrot Vale	\$ 300
Bisbee	100
Bessy	850
Chatterbox	1,250
Clowner	925
Double Chance	625
Ebony Idol	250

ft. 7 ins.
Long jump—J. Morrish (O), 21 ft. 1½ ins.
Weight—E. Hudson-Bennett (C), 40 ft. 6 ins.
Discus—E. Hudson-Bennett (C), 110 ft. 7 ins.
Javelin—E. Hudson-Bennett (C), 133 ft. 5½ ins.

Dow-Jones Heads "E" Class Money Winners At Macao

DOW-JONES heads the last line of defence with an income of \$975 and below him comes Heddon, who collected \$950. I append below a list of "E" class ponies with the amount of stakes won, including prizes from Fanling and Macao:

Emergency Call	1,300	Arabian Cat	\$450
Fel Ying	1,175	Black Diamond	225
Gold Coin	300	Dekko	100
Golden Cow	400	Desert Star	75
Jack O'Lantern	525	Dow-Jones	975
March Brown	700	Gallant Marshal	500
Night View	950	Geordie	300
Palmer	975	Geordie	300
Portrush	1,600	Heddon	950
Salvage Master	200	King's Envoy	825
Smiling Time	900	King's Worlby	100
Some Hope	700	Labour Day	50
Sunlight View	500	Lucky Eleven	475
Sylvandale	1,150	Mac's Adventure	425
Talkative	1,075	National Anthem	275
The Tigress	950	National Dignity	75
Thin Time	950	New Bedford	250
Vulorous	1,100	Old Fashioned	250
West Lake	1,100	Popular Star	200
Wilber	1,300	Radium Star	625
Willynilly	750	Rose Day	175
		Sunshine Susie	150
		Tim	325
		Wild Bear	100

Pairs Tournament

Hyde Lay And Hall Beat Hill And Meadows

A. HYDE LAY AND A. J. HALL (Kowloon Bowling Green Club) accounted for F. N. Hill and R. Meadows (Kowloon C.C.) 19-12 in an Open Lawn Bowls Pairs championship match at the Kowloon Football Club yesterday.

Until the last four heads, on which Hyde Lay and Hall scored 1,2,1 and 1, the game was very even, though except for the 3rd head the K.B.G.C. pair led throughout. Their greatest lead was one of six shots which was held at the 12th end, but at the 17th head, Hill and Meadows were only two shots behind.

Hyde Lay and Hall opened with a three, but two 2's put Hill and Meadows into a 4-3 lead at the 3rd. Never again did the K.C.C. pair move to the front.

The scores were:	F. N. Hill and R. Meadows	A. Hyde Lay and A. J. Hall
1	3	2
2	3	2
3	5	4
4	6	4
5	8	4
6	9	5
7	10	5
8	11	7
9	12	7
10	13	7
11	14	7
12	15	12
13	16	12
14	17	12
15	18	12
16	19	12

Teams Selected For The Week-end

The following lawn bowls teams have been selected by the various Clubs for League matches this week-end:

CLUB DE RECREIO
"A" v. Hongkong F.C. (home)—
L. F. Xavier, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and H. A. Alves.
"B" v. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. V. Ribeiro and F. X. Silva.
J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, F. V. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva.
"D" v. Civil Service C.C. (away)—
D. C. Alves, C. C. Pereira, A. P. Guterres and B. Basto.
F. A. Machado, C. H. Basto, C. Roza Pereira and J. A. Remedios.
A. P. Pereira, A. F. Noronha, J. C. Remedios and J. Noronha.
2nd Division v. Kowloon Tong (away)—
M. F. Alarcon, B. Alves, A. M. Rodrigues and C. P. Remedios.
E. M. Silva, J. A. Remedios, C. M. F. Alves and P. Yvanovich.
F. A. Xavier, H. R. Pinna, A. M. Xavier and E. Sousa.
CIVIL SERVICE C.C.
1st team v. Recreio (home)—
E. W. C. Simmonds, J. Hollidge, A. W. Grimmit and F. J. Jones.
M. E. Purvis, W. J. Burling, M. N. Rakusen and H. E. Strange.
J. Gellatly, J. W. Deakin, L. A.

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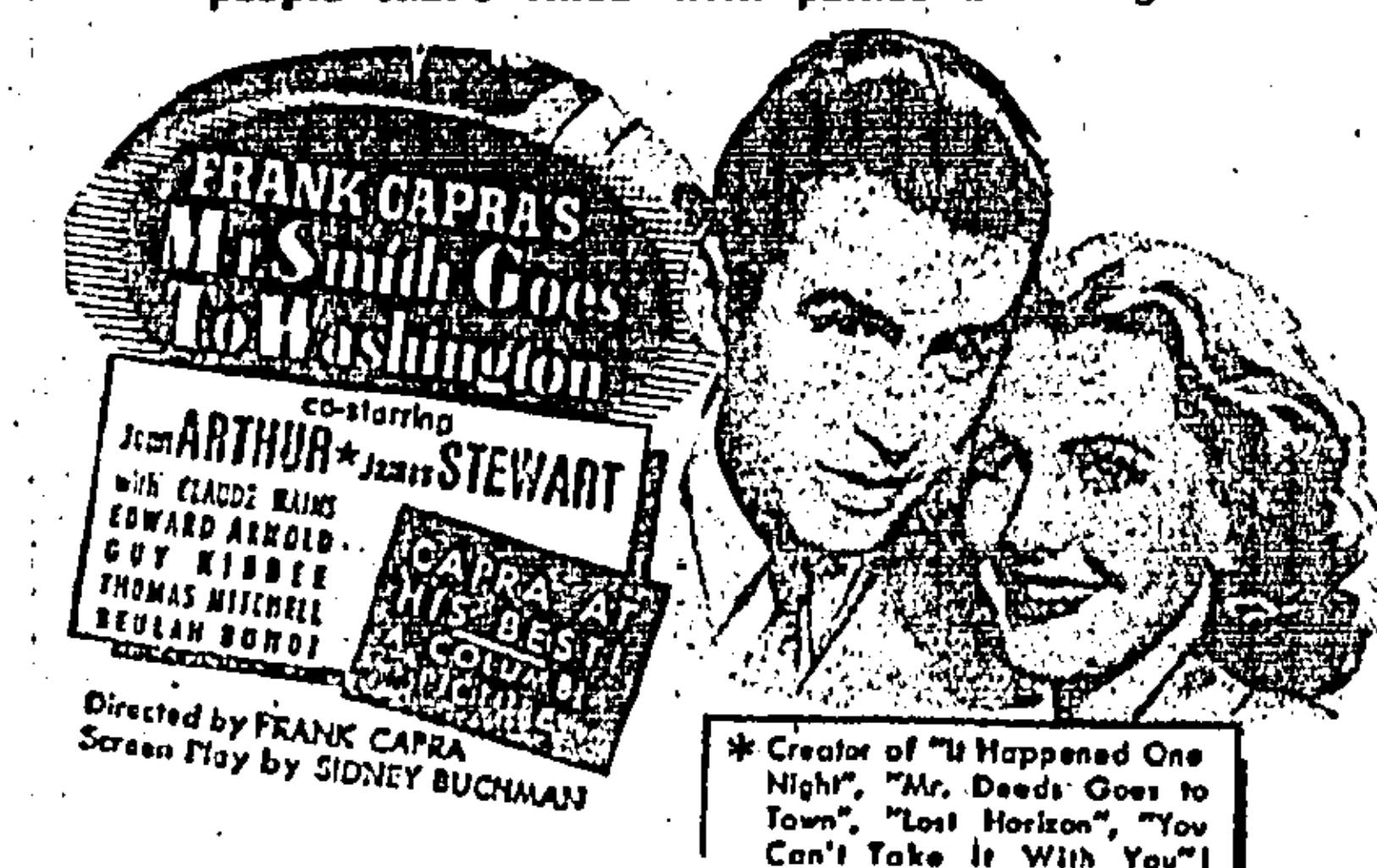
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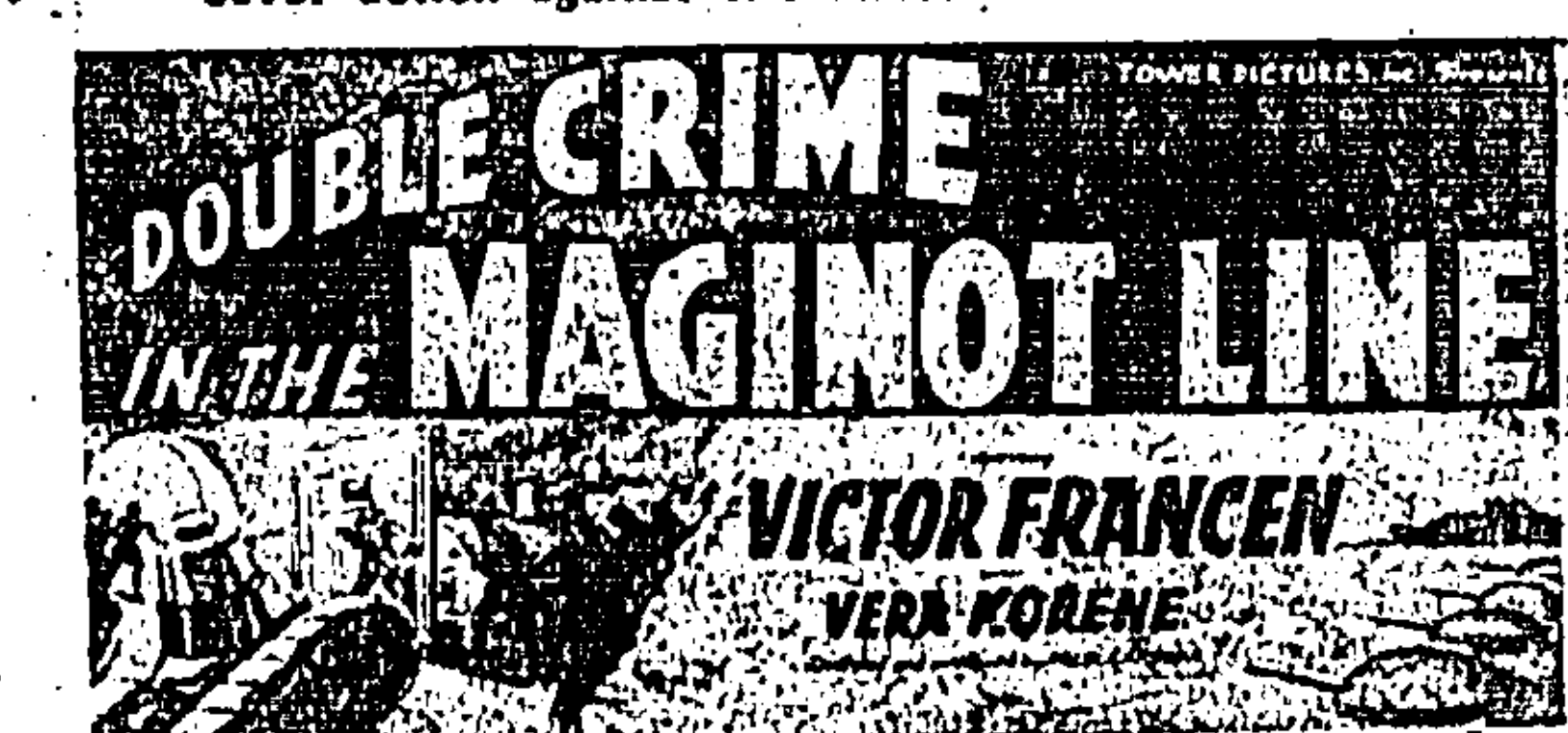


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Admission is free, and the pictures, which present examples of both Eastern and Western art, are moderately priced. It is hoped that many will attend the exhibition, and while satisfying their own particular tastes in art, will at the same time benefit the cause to which the Fund is devoted.

There will be no catalogues, but each picture will be clearly labelled as to title, painter and price.

BRITAIN IS THE LAST BULWARK

NEW YORK, June 27 (Reuter).—"We will have no more choice between peace and war than had Norway, Belgium or Holland, should Britain be decisively beaten," declared Mr. Herbert Lehman, the Governor of New York, in a speech to-day.

"The only reason we have been safe in the past is because we had the protection of the great fleet of our friendly sister in democracy, Great Britain."

VARIETY CONCERT

A grand variety entertainment will be given at the Cheong Choo Club to-day at 9 p.m. It has been arranged by David Kossick supported by many well-known local artists, including the following: Robert Bonney, Stanley Hinchliffe, Gaston D'Aquino, Audrey Okenfull, Jenn Gibson, Ernest Perry, Lechlan Gibson, Claire Shand, Les Gibson, Maude Reed, Maude Waller, John Gilchrist and Bill Winstell.

Admission is free, and all Servicemen and their families will be welcome.

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—A clause establishing a \$50,000,000 fund to aid European refugees is contained in the Relief Bill signed by President Roosevelt to-day.

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Mr. Leon Blum, the one-time Socialist French Premier, has arrived in England.

LATE NEWS

Tax Increases In N.Z.

War-Time Budget Of £30,000,000

WELLINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—Mr. Walter Nash, the Finance Minister, presented the New Zealand budget to-day. He said that in order to meet the war expenditure, estimated at a total of £30,000,000, there would be a new national security tax of a shilling in the pound on all incomes, in addition to the present shilling social security tax.

He said there would also be an increase of from five per cent. to ten per cent. on sales tax.

National Savings Scheme
Mr. Nash announced a national savings scheme for small investors and interest free loans for larger investments.

The Income Tax, now at 2/6d in the pound, would be increased by 6d. on the first £100 of taxable income.

Company taxation, he said, would also be increased.

He forecast proposals of 100 per cent. excess war profits tax.

Children For Dominions

Parents Rushing To Support Scheme

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Parents are applying at the rate of 7,000 to 8,000 a day to have their children sent to the Dominions for the duration of the war.

The basic idea is to help in the conversion of Great Britain into an island fortress by removing as many non-combatants as possible.

Not Refugees
The children will not be going as refugees.

One difficulty is the question of shipping space and any plans will necessarily depend on their help with the evacuation of the Dominions.

It is expected that the number which can be taken away will not be higher than 8,000 a month.

CHINESE AND TIENTSIN

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—"No protest has been made by the Chinese Government or on their behalf with regard to the Tientsin agreement."

Mr. R. A. Butler stated in a written reply in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Butler added: "Copies of the relevant document were as a matter of courtesy communicated to the United States Government in advance of its publication."

REPUBLICANS' 10 CANDIDATES

PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—Ten candidates have been nominated for the U.S. Presidency by the Republican Party National Convention, including Mr. Wendell Willkie, Senator Robert A. Taft and Senator Arthur Vandenberg.

The two first-named are favorites. A bitter fight is expected.

The final balloting begins to-night.

Party v. Popular Sentiment
PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—It is becoming increasingly clear at the Republican Party National Convention that the real fight is between Senator Robert A. Taft, the Party candidate, and Mr. Wendell Willkie, the popular candidate.

Mr. Willkie, a public utilities magnate, appears to be more sympathetic towards President Roosevelt's policy of "all aid for the Allies short of war" than the declaration in the Party's official platform, which is generally believed to be framed by the Party's bosses in order to militate against Mr. Willkie's chances.

The Convention is one of the most open ones for many years, chiefly because of the manner in which Mr. Willkie's vivid personality and obvious competence have caught the imagination of delegates.

The Taft-Willkie fight no doubt will be bitter. Observers feel that if the Party machine fails to get a better grip on the delegates, Mr. Willkie has an excellent chance to be nominated on an enormous wave of popular sentiment.

Whereabouts Of U.S. Fleet Unknown

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—Unconfirmed reports persist in informed quarters that part of the United States Fleet from Hawaii is at present heading for the West Coast of South America.

This is coupled with another report of unexplained Japanese manoeuvres in the Pacific near South America.

TOKYO AND H.K. BORDER

TOKYO, June 28 (Reuter).—Japanese troops are now stationed at most points along the Hongkong border, including Shaukiung, which held despatches received here describe as an important storehouse for the supply of arms to General Chiang Kai-shek.

SECRET SESSION INDICATED

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Reuter's Lobby correspondent says it is believed that, according to present arrangements, the Prime Minister will be unable to make a further statement on the war before Thursday next week.

It is thought likely that the whole proceedings will be held in secret.

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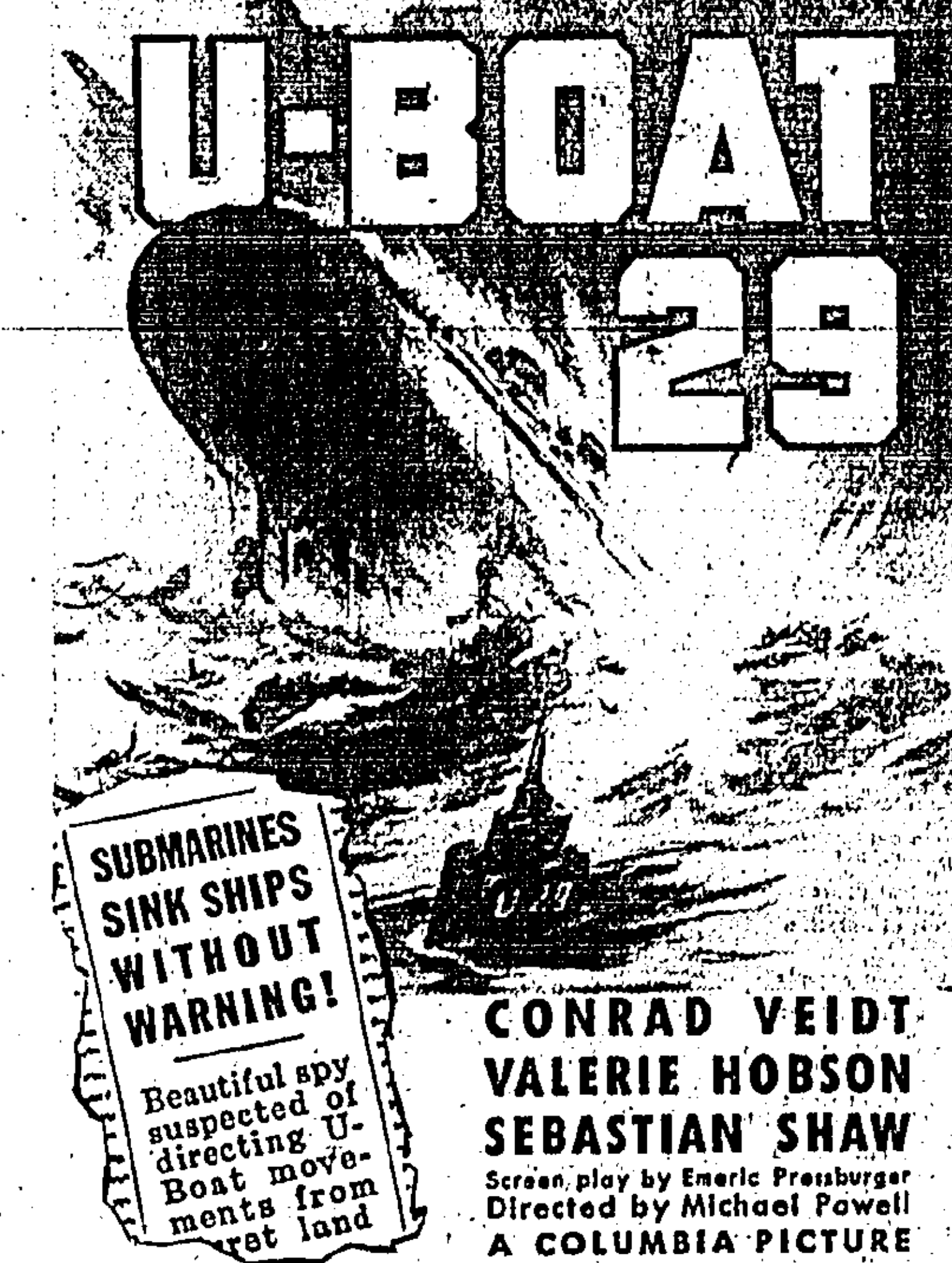
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French Naval Units Will Continue War

GIBRALTAR, June 27 (UP).—Refugees crossing the Straits of Gibraltar from Casablanca confirm that a large part of the French Fleet is now riding at anchor at Casablanca, the French naval base on the Atlantic seaboard of French Morocco.

At least twenty submarines, and several warships are in the harbour. Three squadrons of French warplanes which flew across the Mediterranean as soon as France capitulated are also in Casablanca.

It is thought that many units of the French Navy and Air Force are at other points in French colonial possessions.

All refugees agree that the French naval and air force units have informed General Nogues, the French Commander-in-Chief in North Africa, of their firmest determination to continue the war as Britain's ally until victory is achieved. General Nogues has defied Marshal Petain's orders that he should return to Paris for Court Martial because of his refusal to obey the orders to capitulate to Germany.

RUSSIAN TROOPS MARCH INTO BESSARABIA, CLAIM

Ultimatum Demands Rumania Cede One-Sixth of Total Territory: Carol Line of Fortifications For Soviet

BUDAPEST, June 28. (UP)—It is officially reported in Budapest that King Carol has acceded to the Russian ultimatum.

According to official Hungarian sources, Soviet troops are already marching through the Carol Line into Bessarabia.

Even Berlin Denies This One

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERLIN, June 28 (UP).—Berlin-Radio denies that it broadcast a report stating that Britain was seeking to approach Germany on the subject of an armistice.

Even in Berlin it is realised that Britain intends to continue the fight, and the Germans deny the reported approach as a "worthless canard."

It is interesting to note that the report first gained currency in Rome newspapers.

DAYLIGHT RAIDS ON GERMANY

Factories And Oil Refineries Bombed

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique issued to-day states that yesterday the R.A.F. bombers made daylight raids into Germany.

Despite enemy fighter attacks, an oil plant at Gersonkichen and railway sidings at Sobt were bombed. One of our aircraft is missing.

Night Operations

During last night, further bombing operations were carried out. Our aircraft attacked seaplane bases at Texel and Helder and aerodromes at Schiphol, Walhaven, and De Kooy in Holland.

The aerodromes at Dortmund, Bonn, Hangoor, near Munster, and Turn to Page 7, Fifth Column

French Warships In Atlantic

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" TANGIER, June 27 (UP).—Four large French warships passed through the Straits of Gibraltar yesterday into the Atlantic. Their destination is unknown.

FRENCH COLONIES REMAIN

No Occupation By Foreign Forces

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BORDEAUX, June 25 (Delayed), (UP).—Foreign Minister to the Petain Government, M. Paul Baudouin, to-day issued a statement saying that none of the French colonies will be subjected to foreign occupation.

He deplored the "incomprehensible and unfriendly" attitude of Britain and said the French capitulation was inevitable on account of the enormous superiority of Germany's men and armaments.

He estimated that a million French soldiers have been taken prisoner but said it is impossible to estimate the extent of French casualties.

Nazis Big Surprise

German's motorised divisions, he said, were a "great surprise."

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New Foreign Policy

Japan's Changed Attitude

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" TOKYO, June 28. (Domei).—Informed quarters believe that the Foreign Minister, Mr. H. Arita, will stress the following points in his forthcoming statement on Japan's foreign policy:

1.—Japan will refuse to acquiesce in any change in the status quo in East Asia tending to prejudice the successful outcome of the war with China.

2.—Japan will express grave concern over possible attempts by Britain, the United States, Germany or Italy to change the status quo.

3.—Japan will reiterate her policy of strict neutrality in the European War and will oppose any attempts to spread the conflict to Asia.

Newspaper forecasts that Mr. Arita will emphasise that Japan's destiny is regulated by events in East Asia.

"Yomiuri Shimbun" says that the Foreign Minister will stress the common destiny of Japan, China, the Netherlands East Indies, French Indo-China, the western Pacific and other places in which Japan will not permit any interference by Third Powers.

You May Not Know—

That Bessarabia, ruled by Russia for 100 years, was recognised as part of Rumania in the Treaty of Paris (1920), signed by Rumania and the principal Allies, but not by Russia.

As Russia never recognised the "annexation," the province has been in a state of military occupation more or less ever since with Soviet pickets on the left bank of the Dniester, which separates it from Russia, and Rumanian pickets on the right. Originally inhabited by Cimmerians, Bessarabia was invaded in turn by Scythians, Goths, Vandals, Slavs, Huns, Bulgars and Tartars, and was given its name in 1550 by the Turks after the Ruman Basarab dynasty.

Present inhabitants (population 2,957,000) are Moldavians (50 per cent.), Ukrainians (20 per cent.), with many Jews, Russians, Bulgarians and Germans.

Bessarabia lies between the Pruth and Dniester rivers and extends from the South of Poland to the Black Sea. Its soil is fertile and agriculture is the main occupation. Roads are bad and muddy in winter, and the defences are not impressive.

FRANCE'S GOLD

Bulk Believed To Be In America

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" PARIS, June 27. (UP).—Considerable interest has been aroused regarding the fate of France's gold reserves.

Despite earlier Berlin reports, it seems clear that the bulk of the gold, if not all, was removed before the Germans entered the capital.

A huge part of France's gold was sent to the United States several months ago.

Vaults Flooded

It is understood in Paris that the Bank of France flooded its underground vaults before the Germans entered. This was carried out through a special system which enables the waters of the River Seine to be diverted to the vaults.

Authorised quarters in Berlin conceded this morning that the French Government had removed practically the entire gold reserves and securities to the south of France.



Rumania Accepts Soviet Conditions

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, June 27. (UP).—The Russian ultimatum expired at 10 p.m. with acceptance by Rumania.

King Carol, however, has expressed his willingness to appoint delegates to negotiate with the Soviet.

A high Rumanian official said at 10.45 p.m. (4.45 a.m. H.K.T.): "We are prepared for the worst."

At 10.30 p.m. it was announced that a number of Reservists of various classes had been Mobilised.

Capital Prepares

Defensive work has begun in the capital, and sandbag barricades are appearing in the streets.

Authoritative quarters asserted at 10.30 p.m. that the Crown Council was still considering the Soviet demands. It is learned in Rome that the Rumanian Minister called at Chigi Palace to-day informed Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, of the Russian demands.

It is reported that Rumania has asked Italy to definite her attitude towards the Russian proposals.

A message from Sofia reports that Bulgaria remains quiet. No demonstrations are reported in the provinces, nor has the Bulgarian Cabinet met.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor and Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court, has received a brief cable stating that his brother has been killed in action.

7 RAIDS ON MALTA

23 Killed: Bus Is Blown To Bits

MALTA, June 27 (Reuter).—Malta this morning had its seventh air raid in 28 hours.

The sound of heavy firing was heard. Alarms sounded at 9 a.m. and 11.15 a.m.

Twenty-three civilians were killed and several wounded yesterday evening in the most severe of five air raids yesterday, during which about 70 bombs were dropped.

One bomb hit a bus full of passengers, most of whom were killed.

Property Damaged

There was some damage to private property.

The bombers were driven off by British fighters and A.A. fire. Most of the bombs dropped during the other raids yesterday fell into the sea.

LOSS OF NAVAL BASES

By FRANK STEVENS
UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT
BUCHAREST, June 27 (UP).—King Carol held a second conference with Italy and Germany to-day in a desperate zero-hour effort to side-track the Soviet ultimatum, which expired at 10 p.m. (4 a.m. H.K.T.).

The Russian ultimatum is backed by troops massed along the Carol Line—Rumania's counterpart of the Maginot Line which would fall into Russian hands if the territorial demands are conceded—and Red planes which have roared throughout the day over Bessarabia.

If Rumania accedes to the demands, one-sixth of the country will pass into Soviet hands. Two vital naval bases on the Black Sea and control of the Danube will be lost.

At 8 p.m.—two hours before the dead-line—strong opposition suddenly developed in Rumania, and officials in Bucharest told me that reports that King Carol had already acceded were premature.

Sources close to M. Gafencu, the former Foreign Minister who is handling the negotiations on behalf of Rumania, told me that Rumania has not yet yielded.

Bitter opposition is growing to the magnitude of the Russian demands.

Pesco Or Bloodshed?

Russia's ultimatum stresses the desire of the Soviet to take over the territory peacefully. If it cannot be taken without bloodshed, says Russia, it will be taken with bloodshed. Thousands of Moldavians, Ukrainians and Jews are already fleeing to the interior.

Others are flocking southwards to the Black Sea, hoping to escape to another country by ship.

Five Demands

The Soviet demands are as follows: 1.—All Bessarabia, the third largest Rumanian province with a total area of 16,150 square miles, to be ceded to Russia.

2.—The two northern districts of Bukovina province, an area of 2,500 square miles bordering Russia and Poland and once part of Austro-Hungary, to be ceded.

3.—Constanta, Rumania's chief outlet to the Black Sea, to become a Russian naval base, with complete Russian jurisdiction.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

To-day is Coronation Day. The war vessels of which four readers and part owners duly banded away a noon to notify the anniversary. Business did not stop worth a cent, though.

The final sets in the tennis match between the American, Pettit, and the Englishman, Saunders, took place in Dublin on May 30. The match was won by Pettit. When play was resumed the scores were tied each having won four sets out of the total 13. Pettit won three, Saunders one. Pettit is now declared champion of the world. The first set was won by Pettit 6 to 3, the second 6 to 4, Saunders won the third by 6 to 4. Pettit won the fourth by 6 to 2.

General Brine, the Channel balloonist, is dead.

Zola has finished the last of his great series of novels and in future will devote himself to play writing. The only play he ever wrote was at first severely condemned and then rapturously applauded.

M. de Lesseps, who had a fainting fit on the street the other day, still continues to give anxiety to his friends. It appears that he suffers from a nervous malady which requires constant attendance on the part of his medical advisers.

25 YEARS AGO

Details received in Paris of the capture of the Albanian village of Metteral show it as one of the most heroic of French feats of arms.

On Friday we printed a quaint letter which spoke with an amusing air of confidence as to the present war's being what foretold by the French which is to usher in the thousand years of peace. It is almost refreshing, in these materialistic days, to find anyone with so much simple faith left. The writer seems to have fixed on the year 1010 for the battle of Armageddon—a fact of least interest to us and our readers than the date at which peace will come and end this present war. The most interesting point in this letter is that which deals with a mysterious chain of events, interpreted itself between the British and German armies and in the midst of the cloud a host of shining figures. This seems to have driven the enemy back, a fact which makes one wonder why it had not timed its appearance a little earlier and have saved many valuable lives.

10 YEARS AGO

K. S. Duleepshahi, the well known Sussex batsman, achieved the highest distinction in a cricketer's career to-day when he completed the highest individual score in an Anglo-Australian Test match at Lord's. He also emulated his famous uncle, Ranjitsingh, in scoring a century in his first Test match. England battled all day to-day and when stumps were drawn at 4.30 p.m. nine wickets had fallen for 405 runs. The detailed score is given below:

England First Innings	
J. B. Hobbs, c Oldfield, b Fairfax	1
E. E. Woolley, c Wall, b Fairfax	41
W. R. Hammond, b Grimmett	38
E. Hendren, c McCabe, b Fairfax	48
A. P. F. Chapman, c Oldfield, b Wall	11
E. O. B. Allen, b Fairfax	3
M. W. Tate, c McCabe, b Wall	54
J. C. White, not out	14
G. Duckworth, not out	7
Extras	10
Total (nine wickets)	405

The text is published of messages exchanged between the King George and the Emperor of Japan on the occasion of the visit to London of Prince Takamatsu, second crown prince of the Emperor, and Princess Takamatsu, King George's daughter-in-law. The Emperor and Princess Takamatsu arrived in London yesterday and the Emperor and Princess Takamatsu are expected to stay in the Imperial Palace in London for a few days. The Emperor and Princess Takamatsu are expected to stay in the Imperial Palace in London for a few days. The Emperor and Princess Takamatsu are expected to stay in the Imperial Palace in London for a few days.

5 YEARS AGO

A National Defence Loan "enabling us to pull up to our proper position in the world and put ourselves abreast of our great responsibilities" was advocated by Mr. Winston Churchill in a speech at a dinner of the National Defence Club, a Conservative organisation in London to-night. Mr. Churchill said that if the Government proceeded in the course they would have the unwavering support of the nation and the House of Commons.

I was astonished to find in the list of the Majesty's ships participating in the Royal Review at Spithead the names of those which I was fighting in the estimates to rebuild a quarter of a century ago, said Mr. Churchill.

Nearly 12,000,000 votes were cast upon each question asked in the National Peace-Ballot in London and the results were announced by Lord Cecil at an enthusiastic mass meeting in the Albert Hall to-night. The final figures showed over 12,000,000 votes in the affirmative of Britain remaining a member of the League of Nations. Only 350,000 voted against membership in the League. The question whether economic sanctions should be applied to an aggressor nation received 10,000,000 votes in the affirmative and 300,000 in the negative. But

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only 8,750,000 votes in favour of military measures if sanctions were found necessary, and 2,550,000 against.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 2nd day of July, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon Tsai, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2852	Kowloon Tsai, junction of Waterloo Road & Derby Road.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	As per sale plan.	About 12,000	\$138
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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
2	Tsuen Wan Island Lot No. 23	D.D. 331, Tai Lam Chung, North-east of Tsuen Wan Island Lot No. 21.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	As per sale plan.	About 91,000	\$418
						\$5,562

AMERICAN FLEET

Japanese Navy Spokesman Gives His Views

Tokyo, June 27. Questioned regarding the reported departures from Pearl Harbour the spokesman for the Navy Office, Rear-Admiral Masao Kihunawa, said that he had received no official information so far. It is apparent, however, through Press reports that part of the American fleet has sailed from Hawaiian waters.

The spokesman agreed that the new American fleet movement had been designed to cope with the developments in the European situation. Questioned as to what attitude the Japanese Navy would take in case the American fleet crossed the international Dateline, namely, 180 degrees east-westward, the spokesman excused himself from commenting on the hypothetical question, which would involve a serious political issue, he said.

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H. K. T. 12.15 p.m. Short Service of Interruption.

12.30 The Kentucky Minstrels. Flight of Ages (Bevan). White Wings, conducted by Leslie Woodgate with Herbert Dawson at the Organ.

12.40 The New Mayfair Orchestra. Minuet (Boccherini, arr. Goehr). Madrigal (Simonetti). A Vision of Spring. In the Spring Song: O that we two were maying; A Sprinkling; Come Lassies and Lads; Spring's Awakening; Now the day is over; Venetian Nights. Intro. Barcarolle in G Minor (Mendelssohn); Barcarolle (Tales of Hoffmann—Offenbach); Carnival of Venice (Benedict); Milestones of Melody.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Dance Music.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Mozart—Symphony in D Major (The "Prague"). Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Erich Kleiber.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 A Programme of Dance Music.

Relay of Programme From Saigon

6.50 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.00 Relay of a Programme from Saigon.

7.15 The Orchestra Raymonde.

Delibes in Vienna (arr. Walter). Indian Mail—Descriptive (Lamothe). Glow Worm—Intermezzo (Paul Lincke). Gounod in Vienna (arr. Walter).

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal. Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

Samson and Delilah—Bacharach (Saint-Saens). Damnation of Faust—Rakoczy March (Berlioz, Op. 24). Gavotte (Mignon—Thomas). Song Without Words (in A minor, Op. 40, No. 6—Tchakovsky).

8.20 Dohnanyi—Quartet in D Flat Major, Op. 15.

Elzavety Quartet.

8.45 Studio—Piano Recital by Harry Oro.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs".

9.45 Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana".

Shanghai Abduction

Shanghai, June 27. Representations are being made to the American authorities over the alleged kidnapping of Mr. John Costa, chief accountant of the American-owned Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury.

Mr. Costa is reported to have been abducted from his home in the outside roads area last night by three men, one of whom is stated to have been a Japanese. While they covered him with a pistol he was handcuffed and led away. The kidnappers told his wife that he would be brought back soon.

The American authorities have been informed of the circumstances. Mr. Fu Salo-en, Mayor, and the Government of Greater Shanghai have promised to help and the City and Government police are assisting in the investigations.—Reuter.

Another Accident

Chungking, June 27. A kidnapping of a political nature took place in Shanghai on June 25. The victim was Li Chi-fung who was forcibly taken from his room in the Sun Sun Hotel, Nanking Road, by three men, who were arrested by the Shanghai Municipal police. They confessed that they were members of the so-called Peace and Reconstruction Army.—Central News.

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MAGAZINE PAGE

CHURCHILL ESCAPED FROM GAOL

Goebbels Misses A Chance For A Gibe

In all the vitriolic outbursts that Dr. Goebbels, chief Nazi propagandist, has directed at Winston Churchill, one bitter blast that he could have used with some claim to truth has been missing.

Goebbels has never called Churchill a gaol-bird; yet the First Lord of the Admiralty spent his 25th birthday in a Boer prison.

WINSTON CHURCHILL'S escape from captivity with a handsome price on his head is perhaps the most colourful episode in his amazing career.

At a salary of £250 a month, Churchill was on his way to the South African war as correspondent for the Morning Post, when a British armoured reconnaissance train was derailed near Chieveley on November 15, 1899, and he was taken prisoner by the Boers, and interned in Pretoria's Staats Model School.

The school was in the heart of the Boer territory heavily guarded, and surrounded by a high iron fence. After Churchill had been in custody for a month, he decided to escape.

With heavy odds against getting away, audaciously was the one card he had to play. About 7 p.m. on December 12, 1899, whilst the other internees were at dinner, Churchill chose a moment when the sentries' backs were turned, and slipped the wall, to drop into hiding among scrubby. He had some chocolate, and £75 in his pockets.

After an hour's hiding, he skirted the house in the school grounds, and strolled carelessly, but with a thumping heart, into the streets of the Boer capital.

Leaving Pretoria without being challenged, he found the Delagoa Bay railway, and boarded a moving goods train moving eastward. Until dawn, Churchill journeyed towards the coast among bags of coal dust, and then jumped out as the train slowed on an incline.

HE hid all day in a thicket on the side of a ravine with a culture for company.

No late chocolate and no dry pot hotter and wandering patrols made it too risky to go down to a nearby stream, he suffered severely from thirst.

That night he tried but failed to pick up another east-bound train. He was becoming too weak to walk after his month's internment, followed by lack of food.

He knew that in the district some long-resident Englishmen had been permitted to retain a neutral freedom to keep the coal mines working, and, seeing a house some little way from the railway line, he made towards it, gambling on it being the residence of a fellow countryman.

Churchill's timid knock on the door was answered by Mr. John

Howard, manager of the Transvaal Collieries—the only non-Boer for 20 miles.

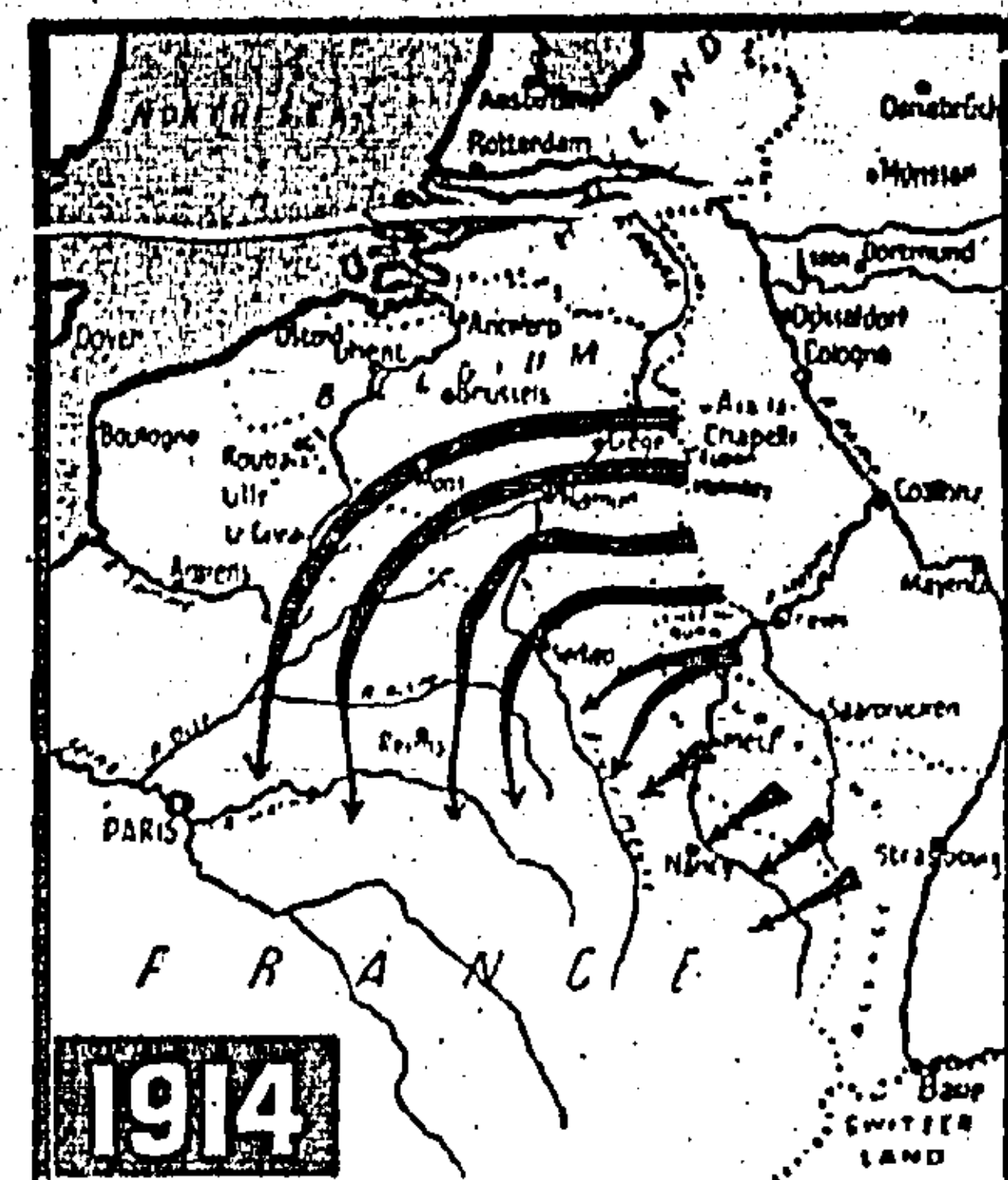
Howard and his British companions concealed Churchill in the mine workings until December 19, when they hid him among some bales of wool being trucked to Delagoa Bay. He had food and water with him, and remained in the truck for three days while the train rumbled towards the coast.

When it arrived at Lourenco Marques, Churchill slipped out of the truck, went to the British consulate, and caught a boat to Durban the same evening.

He served as an officer of the South African Light Horse for the remainder of the war.

Three years passed before Churchill discovered the identity of the Boer burgher who had taken him prisoner. It was Louis Botha, by this time a General.

Later, when Churchill was Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, Botha became Prime Minister of the Transvaal.



THE arrows in the 1914 map show how far the Germans advanced in the first month of the 1914-18 war. The arrows in the 1940 map show the direction taken by the Nazi armoured divisions which, employing the Banse modification of the Schlieffen plan, were able to crush France.

In the two maps you see how the Schlieffen Plan, which was the basis of the German invasion of Belgium and France in 1914, has been adapted for the Nazi invasion of the Netherlands, Belgium and France in 1940.

The German 1940 plan was a repetition of 1914 but on the opposite flank aimed at drawing Allied forces into Belgium, weakening the



French centre and then cutting through and sweeping in behind the Allies. And once again the centre thrust developed and reached a major crisis round Le Cateau. In 1914 Von Kluck, the German general commanding the right-wing army, wheeled inwards at this point, thinking that the French and British were already defeated. In this abandonment of the Schlieffen Plan the Germans lost their main chance of a quick victory.

It is worth remembering, too, that in 1914 the Germans advanced so rapidly that they outran their timetables and supplies were unable to keep pace with the advance. Mechanisation aided them in 1940.

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"Now repeat after me, 'So ya won't talk, eh?' 'All right, break it up!' ... and, 'Where's the fire?' " All

An Air Raid Can Be So Impersonal

WAR is a strange adventure—more terrifying to read about than to experience. You read of bombing raids, of roads being sprayed with machine-gun bullets, and you form, maybe, a nightmare picture of death striking from the skies, of wholesale devastation from which there is no escape.

But just as the nightmare ends with awakening, so can you pass through the blizzard of a barrage, a hail-storm of machine-gun and rifle fire, unscathed, and—strangely—unshaken.

Not every bomb or shell has your "number" on it, as the soldiers say; not every bullet finds a billet.

One need not minimise the horror of modern war, but it may be some consolation to relatives of soldiers now in the firing line to realise that injury or death is not an hourly menace.

Those photographs you see of smiling, singing soldiers on their way to the front line are not posed. The soldier smiles and sings on his way to what may come, because it is his nature to do so; because discipline and comradeship produce a comrade courage. The fear of showing cowardice is greater than the fear of the unknown.

The baptism of fire is a nasty thing; the first shell that comes

shrieking out of nowhere, the burst and the splatter of debris. The first bomb, with its terrifying whistle through the air; the first time under machine-gun fire when the bullets drone past like invisible bees and you see little spurts of earth spring up at your feet.

You are alive unhurt, you were slightly sick, but you did not panic.

I, like many another, have been bombed, shelled, machine-gunned, gassed; have gone over the top and walked through an enemy barrage; have crouched against the parapet while the area was "plastered," or when "whizz-bangs," egg-bombs or "coal-boxes" whistled and shrieked through the night, and I have survived.

The soldier learns to recognise by its note where a shell will fall, where a bomb will burst. If he is not there, well and good. He adopts a philosophy of "Don't care," and translates it into characteristic British humour, "Where did that one go to?"

He invents familiar names for the worst of the enemy's artillery. In the last war he amused himself in the stillness of the night, when there was "nothing doing," by playing "om-tiddly-om-pom" with the enemy machine-gunners.

"Om-tiddly-om-pom," a German machine-gun would stutter. A moment's silence, then a British gun would reply "pom-pom."

So, when you read of "violent" or "intense" fighting in this war, think of the millions of combatants in the last war, the millions who survived.

NEIL MACINTYRE

SPAIN WILL KEEP OUT

LISBON.

ON the winding banks of the lovely River Tagus at Lisbon thousands of workmen toiled feverishly day and night. They are not building fortresses, nor even air raid shelters, despite the Mediterranean tension in these days.

They were completing, in time for the official opening, the Imperial Exhibition to celebrate the fact that this year it is exactly eight centuries since King Alfonso Henriques cut adrift from Spain and made Portugal a free and independent nation.

It is not bravado or blindness to danger which causes neutral Portugal publicly and elaborately, to celebrate eight hundred years—except for a few decades when she was temporarily under Spanish again—of complete liberty and independence at a time when all over Europe small neutrals are being eliminated.

It is just that Portugal firmly believes that Spain will not invade Portugal, even if she joins in the war, an eventually regarded here as extremely improbable.

Austere Oliveira Salazar, who is his own Foreign Minister, is the least spectacular and the most efficient dictator in Europe. Nothing going on in Portugal escapes him, and very little of what goes on outside misses his notice.

Mobile Units

It is true that General Franco has a well-trained, experienced army. When the civil war ended, he had probably in the neighbourhood of 800 bombers and chasers in good condition. We do not know what happened to the German and Italian, mainly Italian, crews and ground staffs who helped to fly these planes.

Some may still be there. Then there were at least 600 motor-hauled light and heavy modern German and Italian guns and many hundreds of armoured cars and light flat and heavy Mercedes tanks.

And the tough Foreign Legion is still there, as a spearhead against any blitz-coup, with at least half a million soldiers to back it up. From the point of view of men and material, army materials, Franco could certainly strike in any direction.

The navy is small but useful and has been overhauled under German guidance after being returned by the French after the Republicans had surrendered.

But Franco would be immediately blockaded by England.

Wheat Scarce

He would have no possible means of getting further munitions or petrol. Franco's brother-in-law, Basilio Salazar, Franco Minister and political leader, told a Valencian audience frankly that Spain was having to face, and remedy, a deficit of no less than one million tons of wheat in order to bridge the period from the last harvest to the next.

Then there is the internal situation in Spain. Suner spoke freely about this too. Very briefly, what is happening is a big tug-of-war within the Falange. Suner and his followers are probably listening closely to the advice of Germany's Madrid Ambassador, von Stohrer, which probably coincides closely enough with their own opinions.

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1.—The Competition is confined exclusively to amateur photographers.

2.—No employee or member of any firm in the photographic trade is permitted to compete.

3.—The prizes will be awarded to the competitors sending in what are adjudged to be the best photographs in each Section. Each entry must be accompanied by a form which will be published during the period of the Competition, and which must be pasted on back of entry.

4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.

5.—All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.

6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.

7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.

8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.

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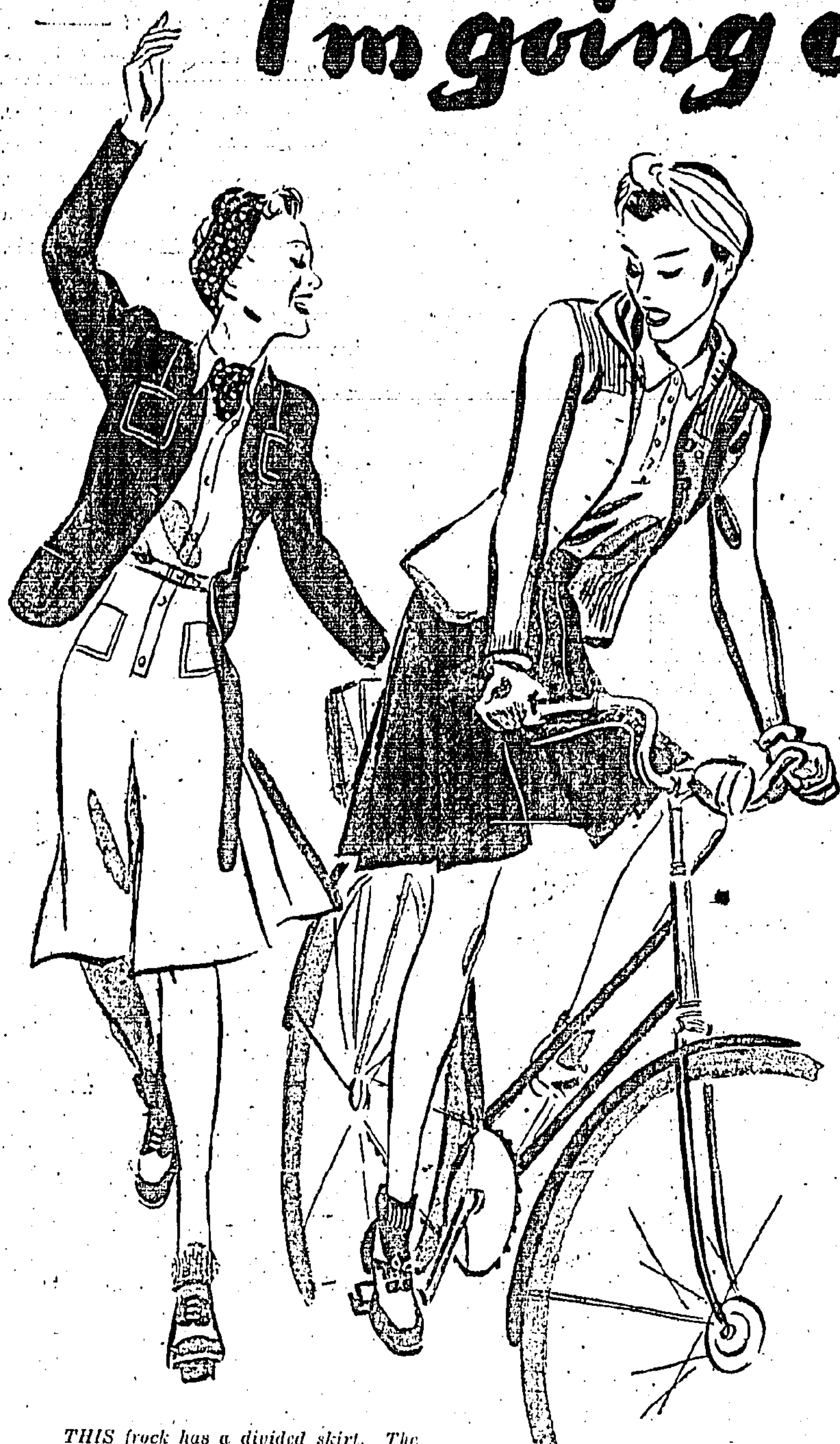
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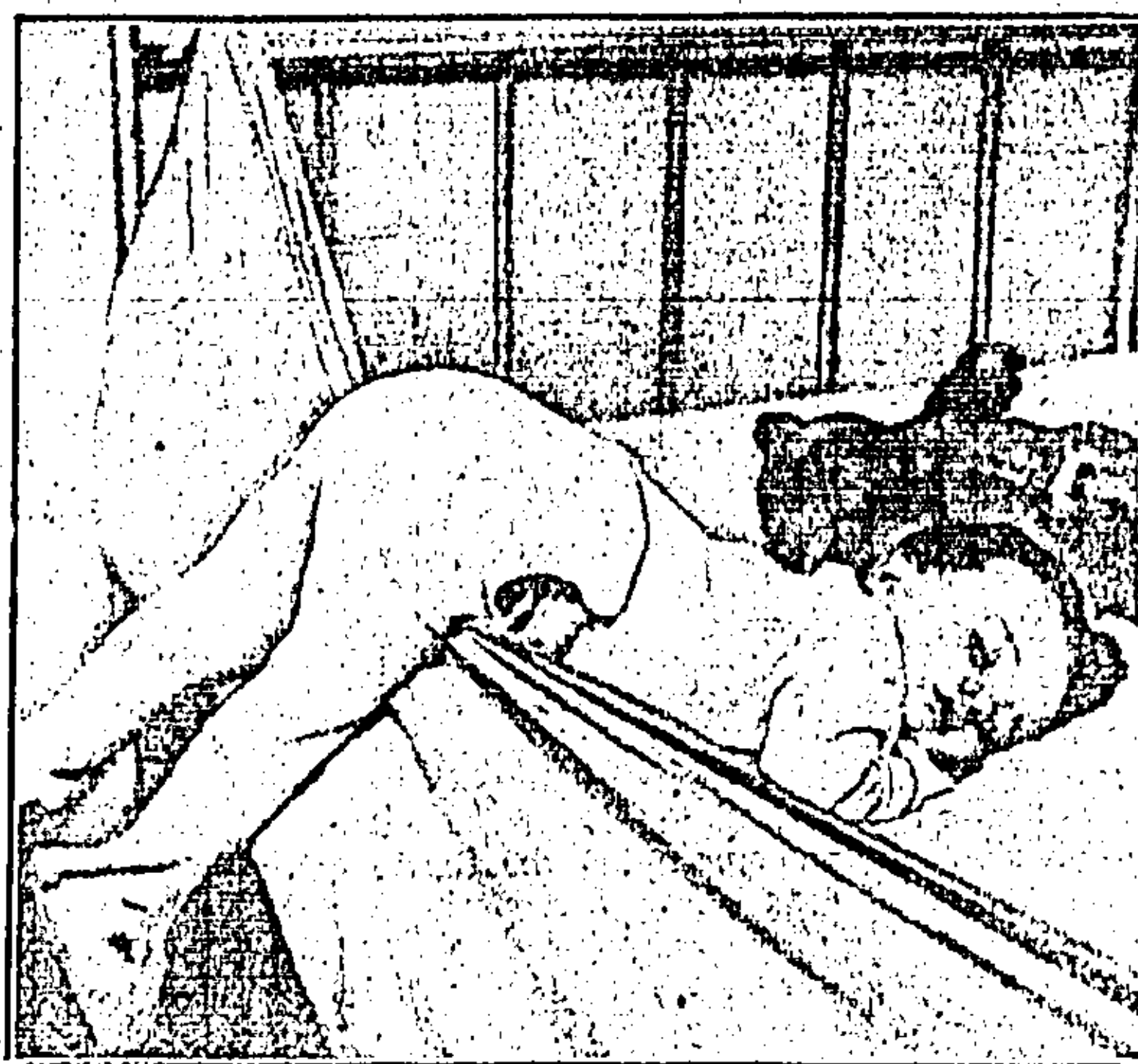
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THIS frock has a divided skirt. The colour is that clear, pale blue that is every woman's best friend. It is so well cut you don't see the skirt is divided until, maybe, you have to leap a ditch. The skirt collar can be worn open, or you can tuck a scarf in the neck. The scarf is double, one half polka dotted scarlet, the other half spotted navy blue. The skirt comes just below the knee. Wear a scarlet turban, pale blue socks, and red and white canvas shoes.

THIS is something really new in the way of shorts. These are cut so that they look like a schoolgirl's pleated gym skirt. The front and back seams are covered with deep pleats, and it is practically impossible to tell they are shorts at all. They come 2ins. above the knee. Tucked in is a string-coloured shirt of panama cotton—fresh looking to the last.



Don't Fuss About His Weight . . .

THE TEXT-BOOKS tell us that a baby boy immediately after birth should be 20.6 inches long and 7lb. 10oz. in weight, while a girl is very slightly shorter and weighs 7oz. less.

Boys grow more quickly than girls in the first year, and at three months the average male infant should be 13 lb. and the female 11lb. 14oz.

So it goes on, this incessant register of figures, weights and measures.

Now there is undoubtedly some usefulness in a knowledge of the average standards, but let all mothers (and fathers, too, sometimes) be on their guard against making weight-testing a fetish.

I have seen wild women clutching their offspring, and with staring eyes declare that the baby has actually lost half an ounce this week!

They are ready for anything to happen to the baby after that.

Or it may be that a group of young mothers, sitting in a doctor's waiting-room, will start comparing weights and land themselves into a dog-fight

over these precious pounds of flesh. The factors never to be lost sight of are that each child is an individual and has his or her own standards. Provided a boy is not losing steadily a few ounces a week, there is nothing to worry about.

The average gain in ounces per week for boys and girls in the first year is 3½-4½, but it may be less. In the second year 2½-3oz. is satisfactory, and in the third 1½-2oz.

As the child grows, the weekly increase diminishes. Scarcely, feeding illness and fussy parents may cause variations in the weekly weighings.

The weight must therefore be interpreted intelligently and above all, any slight loss must not be made the signal for a rush to overfeeding and constant stimulation, so that the nursery assumes the characteristics of the turkey farm before Christmas.

FOR THE HAIR SWEET & SWIFT

WHERE coiffures are suffering from tightly fitting hats, neglect or change in the weather, oil well brushed in gives an immediate gloss which spells health and care.

A little oil, however, goes a very long way.

You should put some in the palm of your hand, and rub your palm over the brush, then brush your hair. That is all the oil your hair needs. Sticky hair will only get dirty quickly.

By the way, it is good news that there are now brilliantines which blondes can use freely, because they will not darken the hair.

RECIPES for quick savouries are numerous, but a sweet which is both economical and quickly prepared is more difficult to come by.

So you may like to know of a most appetising way of serving up stale bread, which is, incidentally, especially popular with children. The bread is cut in slices soaked in milk flavoured with almond, vanilla or any other ingredient the family fancies.

Then fry in cooking fat until the slices are browned, and served on warmed plates, topped with jam, syrup, or lemon and sugar.

Your Feet

WHEN your feet get tired by too much standing it is helpful to strengthen the muscles by exercises.

Two simple ones which are beneficial if they are done every day are these:

Put some marbles on the floor and try to pick them up with your toes. And then, put a rolling pin on the floor and stand one foot on it, rolling it about under the foot and trying to grip it with the toes. You will probably have to hold on to the mantelpiece for this one, in order to keep your balance.

Be Careful Here

CARE should be taken however, not to put the cream so near the eyes that it can seep inside them during the night as here again is a cause of a certain amount of eye discomfort, and even puffiness.

Also, as most wrinkle creams and skin foods are inclined to be a trifle relaxing, it is often necessary to counteract this by patting a little astringent lotion round the eyes, in the morning, after the over-night creaming.

For Your Eyes

EYES tell tales. If they are tired, they will say so.

A daily eye-bath is good, but bathing the eyes twice a day is even more likely to give you, in the shortest space of time, that clear blue tint which the whites should have.

Whatever the lotion you choose, your own mixture, or one already prepared, an eye-bath should be used that allows the head to be held forward instead of backward. It is simpler this way, and the minute particles of dust, cannot then be washed back into the eyes.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA

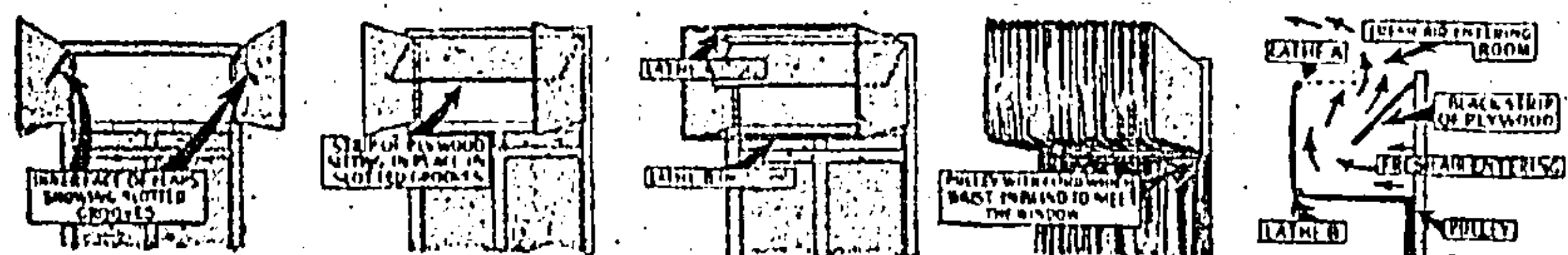
Delegates in Berlin For Border Conference

Berlin, June 27. The Official News Agency states that the head of the western division of the Soviet Russian Foreign Commissariat, M. Alexandrov, accompanied by Col. Leontjev, arrived today to participate in the German-Russian frontier negotiations.

Considerable speculation has been caused in diplomatic and Press circles by the announcement.

Some circles understand the negotiations will have an effect on Germany's diplomatic and military relations, especially in connection with the reported forthcoming offensive on England—Domet.

How to Make a Black-out Ventilator



BLACK-OUT conditions spell stuffy interiors far too often for healthy living. An ordinary human being uses up on an average about 32 gallons of fresh air per minute. Thus there must be a constant re-change of air in room, office or workshop, etc.

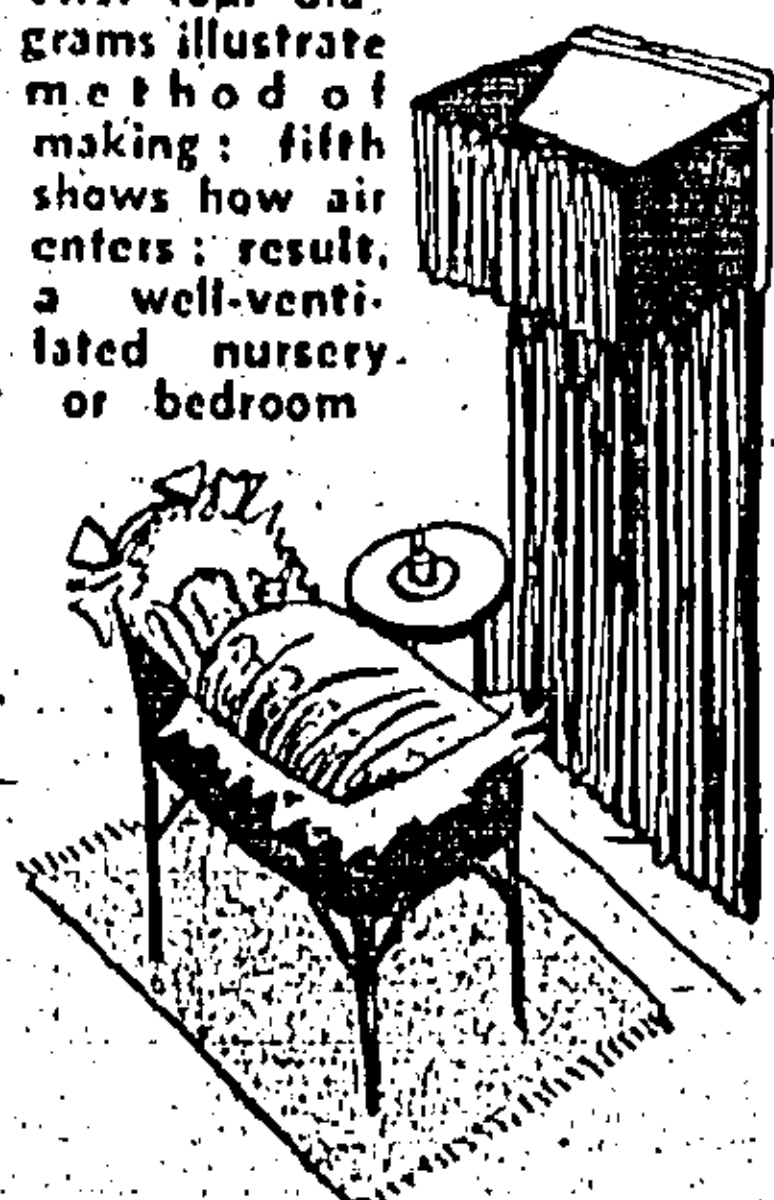
Living and sleeping in stale air bring many penalties. Powers of concentration are weakened; headache and dizziness may appear; anæmia develops; appetites grow poor and flimsy; and the body's natural resistance to disease is greatly lowered. It is obvious then that forms of ventilation which permit a constant inflow of fresh air while completely excluding light are well defences of high value.

Here is a simple and economical method of providing fresh air in the black-out home.

It is a ventilating light-trap that could be fashioned by any handy person, or fitted at small cost by a carpenter.

The diagrams show how. The materials required are:
1.—Two rectangular pieces of fairly strong whitewood or plywood. (The size required will depend on the size of the window, and how much open window is desired.)

First four diagrams illustrate method of making: fifth shows how air enters; result, a well-ventilated nursery or bedroom.



These pieces should be slotted diagonally from one corner to the centre, on one face only.
2.—Several small hinges. (The rectangular pieces are hinged to the sashes of the window on either side at extreme top—their free ends point into the room like the doors of an open cupboard.)
3.—Strip of plywood, the length of which must be the exact distance between the flap-pieces mentioned

above. The depth of the strip is that of the slotted groove in the flap pieces described above. (This strip of plywood will fit into these slotted grooves later.)

4.—Two laths a shade longer than the total width between the flaps. One lath secures the top outer corners, while the other secures the bottom outer corners of the flaps together. (These laths hold the flaps firmly in place so that the strip of plywood cannot fall out of the slotted grooves.)

5.—"Black-out" blind or curtain. This blind or curtain is fixed along the upper lath. So that it may lie against the window below the ventilating trap, it is "waisted" in to meet the window directly below the flaps by means of a cord on pulleys. The blind or curtain should be long enough to reach a little below the end of the window when all is prepared for action. If you want to use your existing curtains, buy sufficient new materials (matching if possible) for the top portion.

The inner faces of the flaps, the plywood strip, and the laths are painted a matt black. The principle is that the air enters through the open top of the window. It passes around the strip of plywood, and enters the room by the free entry at the top of the trap. The illumination in the room may be as strong as could be wished, as the trap is an efficient "black-out", provided the strip of ceiling right above the trap is not directly illuminated.

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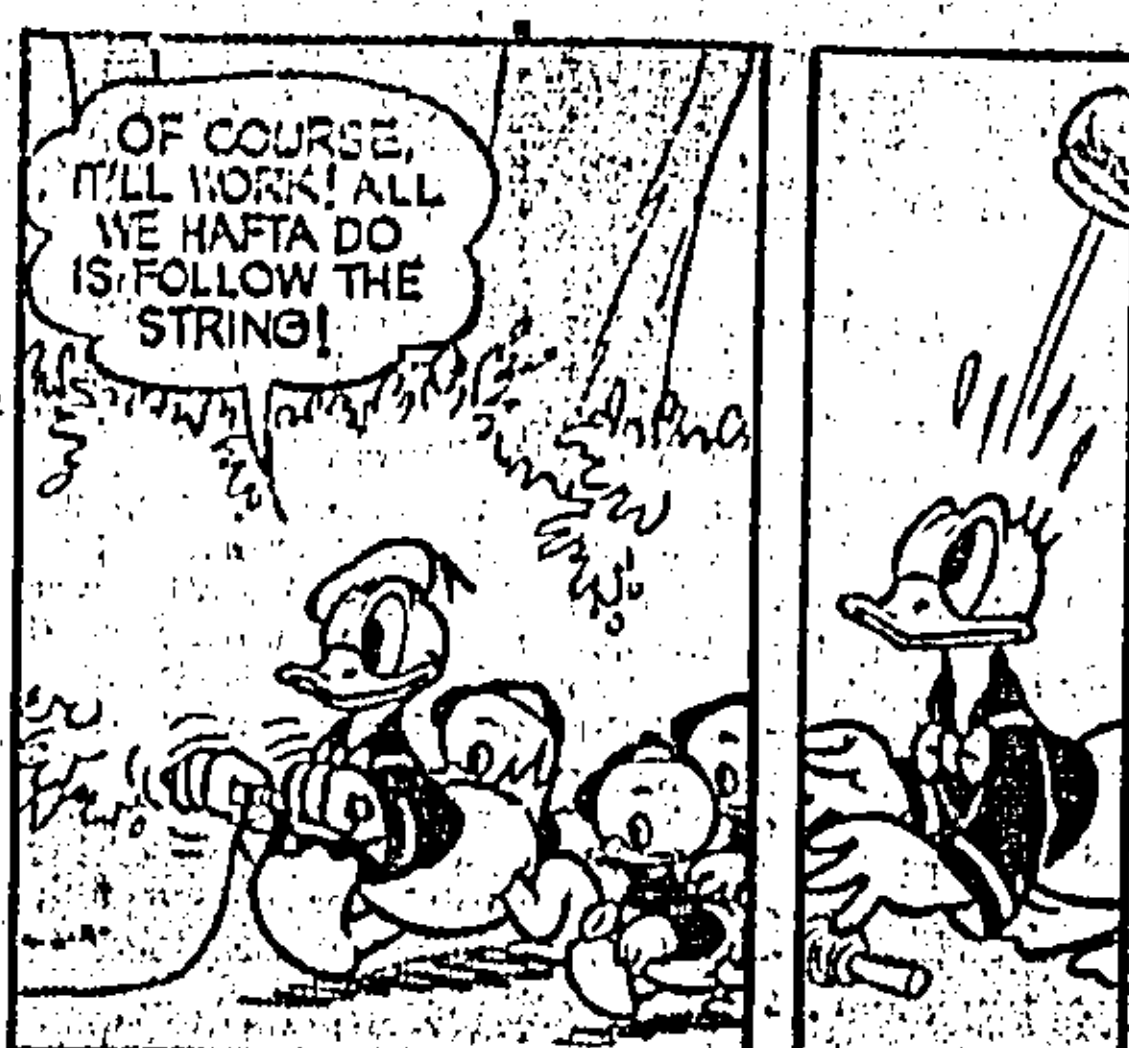
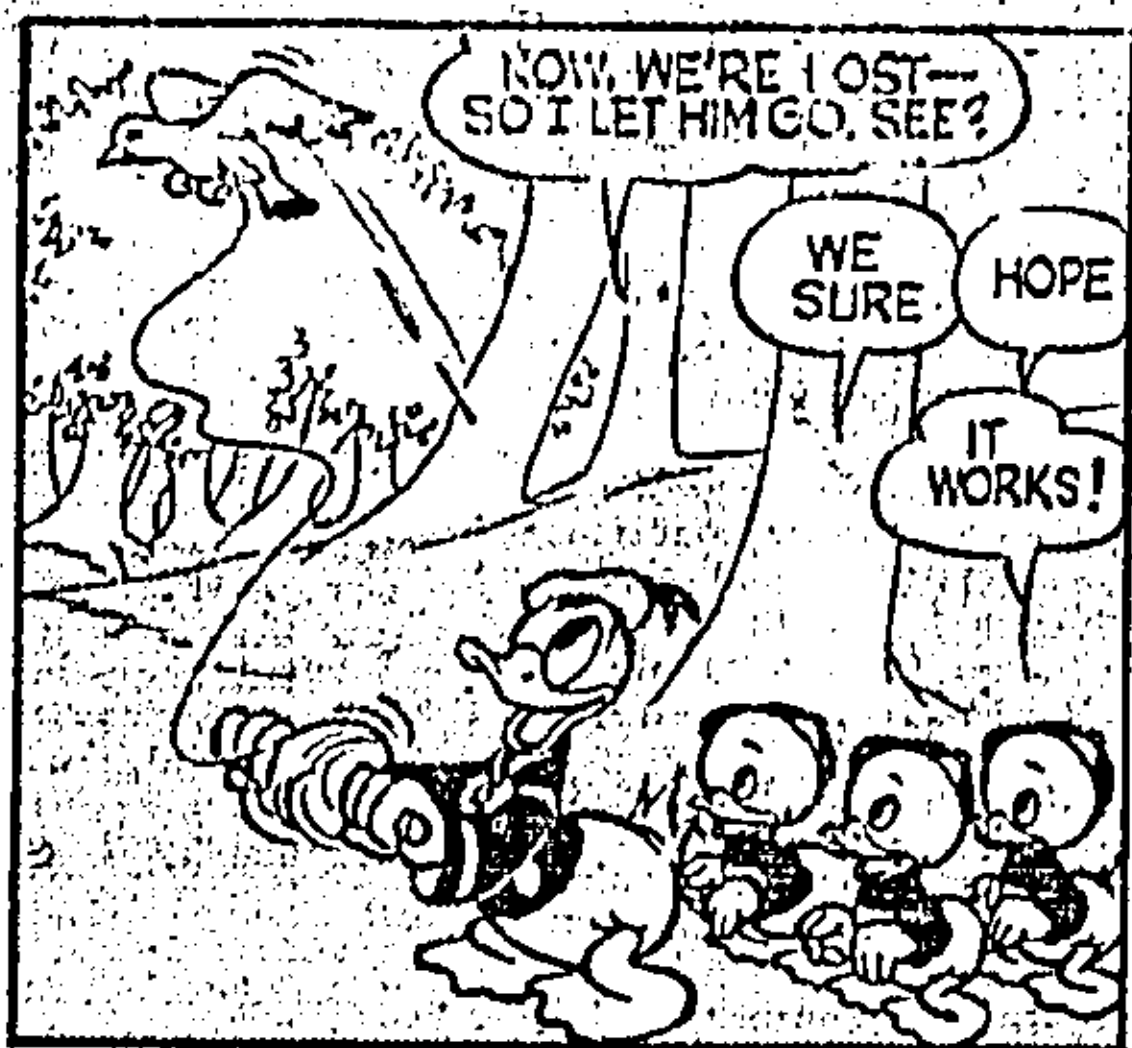
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ITALIANS USE TANKS

First Encounter On Somaliland Border

LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—The first report of the Italian use of tanks in the present battle around Abyssinia is contained in a report from British Headquarters.

A strong detachment of Italians, with tanks in support, was held up by small garrisons on the border of British Somaliland.

The post was manned by a British officer and a handful of African troops.

Withdrew Without Loss

They held the enemy up for four hours and then withdrew without loss.

Further south on the Italian Somaliland-Kenya border, British ground patrols penetrated 20 miles into Italian territory without meeting any opposition.

The Nairobi authorities continue to receive reports from Abyssinia and Italian Somaliland that the Africans pressed into military service are deserting to our side.

Djibuti To Fight On

Aden, June 27 (Reuters).—The authorities at Djibuti intend to fight on, according to a reliable report received here.

The Governor, M. Deschamps, is being strongly supported in his stand by General Legentil Homme, Commanding the French Troops, who said he was "confident of his ability to cope with any situation."

Tax Increases In N.Z.

War-Time Budget Of £30,000,000

WELLINGTON, June 27 (Reuters).—Mr. Walter Nash, the Finance Minister, presented the New Zealand budget to-day.

He said that in order to meet the war expenditure, estimated at a total of £30,000,000, there would be a new national security tax of a shilling in the pound on all incomes in addition to the present shilling social security tax.

He said there would also be an increase of from five per cent. to ten per cent. on sales tax.

National Savings Scheme

Mr. Nash announced a national savings scheme for small investors and interest-free loans for larger investments.

The Income Tax, now at 2/6d in the pound, would be increased by 6d. on the first £100 of taxable income. Company taxation, he said, would also be increased.

He forecast proposals of 100 per cent. excess war profits tax.

N. ZEALAND'S DETERMINATION

WELLINGTON, June 27 (Reuters).—"As Britain's task becomes harder and her peril greater, we in New Zealand are increasingly strengthened in our determination to stand by her and give all the aid in our power," said the Prime Minister, Mr. Peter Fraser, in a statement in the House of Representatives on the war situation.

British peoples, he continued, had no illusions regarding the dangers and difficulties ahead, but were fully determined to carry on and prove that their resolve, temper and spirit of independence were sufficient to withstand and overcome the fiercest attacks.

CHINESE AND TIENTSIN

LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—"No protest has been made by the Chinese Government or on their behalf with regard to the Tientsin agreement," Mr. R. A. Butler stated in a written reply in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Butler added: "Copies of the relevant document were as a matter of courtesy communicated to the United States Government in advance of its publication."

KING ZOG IN LONDON

LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—King Zog, formerly King of Albania, arrived in London to-day.

He was accompanied by Queen Geraldine and his three sisters.

NAZIS URGE CAROL TO ACCEPT DEMAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 27 (UP).—Balkan diplomatic sources state that Hitler has urged King Carol to cede Bessarabia and the Danubian ports to Russia.

In return, Hitler will give an assurance that Germany will use her influence to keep the remainder of Rumania intact.

In this connection it is pointed out that both Hungary and Bulgaria have claims on Rumania.

A report from Belgrade quotes the official Yugo-Slavian spokesman as follows:

"Yugo-Slavia has no treaties which require her to go to the assistance of Rumania."

"We regard the matter as an issue entirely between Rumania and Russia."

"Britain and France have jointly guaranteed the independence of Rumania. The guarantee has probably been nullified by France's capitulation to Germany."

The guarantee stated that Britain and France would extend all support in their power to Greece or Rumania if their independence were threatened. The guarantees would be implemented if either country were invaded by a foreign power and if the Government of the invaded country appealed to the guarantors for assistance.

Demands Considered
LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—According to a Bucharest dispatch to the Italian news agency, the Rumanian Crown Council met for two hours this morning to discuss the Russian demands over Bessarabia and Bukovina.

A further meeting of the Council was called for 8 p.m. to decide on the reply to the Soviet.

According to the most prevalent reports, adds the dispatch, the Rumanian Government consider that immediate contacts should be established with the Soviet, and they will appoint a Commission for direct discussions with a Soviet Commission to examine the Soviet demands, with the view to a peaceful solution.

Children For Dominions

Parents Rushing To Support Scheme

LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—Parents are applying at the rate of 7,000 to 8,000 a day to have their children sent to the Dominions for the duration of the war.

The basic idea is to help in the conversion of Great Britain into an island fortress by removing as many non-combatants as possible.

Not Refugees
The children will not be going as refugees.

One difficulty is the question of shipping space and any plans will necessarily depend on this. They cannot be taken in cargo ships and the space in suitable ships is limited. It is expected that the number which can be taken away will not be higher than 8,000 a month.

SECRET SESSION INDICATED

LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—Reuters' Lobby correspondent says it is believed that, according to present arrangements, the Prime Minister will be unable to make a further statement on the war before Thursday next week.

It is thought likely that the whole proceedings will be held in secret.

WAR GIFT FROM BARBADOS

BARBADOS, June 27 (Reuters).—A special meeting of the Legislature has passed a resolution praying the Governor to donate £100,000 from the island's finances to the British Government to assist the prosecution of the war.

General satisfaction is expressed at this action.

LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—The Sultan of Johore to-day handed over to the Colonial Secretary a cheque for £250,000 as his gift to the British Government for the prosecution of the war.

Exchange At A Glance

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U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
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Freezing Out Foreign Trade

Drastic Move By North China Government

PEIPING, June 28 (Reuters).—A move which is likely to lead to a serious deterioration in foreign trade with North China is announced by the Japanese-sponsored Government at Peiping.

The Director-General of Finance has instructed the Maritime Customs at Tientsin, Chefoo and Tsingtao that the foreign exchange control hitherto applied to exports must be extended to all imports except those from Japan and Manchukuo.

Probable Effects
This has the effect of placing foreign trade in North China on the same basis as that in the "yen bloc" countries.

One object of the move is apparently the severance of the present relationship between the Chinese national dollar and the currency of the Federal Reserve Bank of North China.

The latter tends to follow the fluctuation of the former.

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NEW COURSE

10.25 Col. Shackleton, Major Mackenzie.

N.B. There is no 8.30 train on Monday, July 1, but the 9.15 will run.

LATEST POSITION IN INDO-CHINA

TOKYO, June 28 (Reuters).—The latest information from the Indo-China frontier shows that Japanese troops, which started operations on June 17, captured Lungchow on June 25 and advanced to Mingkiang yesterday.

They plan to sever all communication between Indo-China and Chungking.

Annam Route Closing
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, June 27 (UP).—It is unofficially announced that the Chinese Foreign Office has received a reply from the French authorities regarding the closing of the Annam route.

TRAINING SCHEME

Big Success Claimed By Mr. Bevin

LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—The present position of the Government Training Scheme was described by Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, when he took his seat in the House of Commons this afternoon for the first time.

The number of civilians at the Government training centres is now 10,700, he revealed, and this is a record, being nearly 1,000 more than a week ago and 2,000 more than a fortnight ago.

Thousands Still Needed
In the last four weeks, over 6,000 men had been sent to the training centres. This is also a record, but many thousands more are needed.

Those awaiting entry will be speedily absorbed and a continuous flow is needed to keep the centres at full strength and to fill the new places being provided.

Plane Down In Desert

Italian Crew Taken Prisoner

ADEN, June 27 (Reuters).—An Italian bomber was forced down into the desert 150 miles from Aden some days ago.

The bomber is now on view in Aden.

When it came down, its crew of five were taken prisoner. The British pilot who took them prisoner flew the plane back to Aden.

His feat in taking off from a strange rocky valley drew admiration from the Italian airmen.

Smart Militiamen
A second Italian bomber which was forced down in French Somaliland was captured by two solitary Somali militiamen.

In spite of intense fire from the plane's machine-guns they crept towards it and forced the three surviving members of the crew to surrender.

While one Somali stood guard over the plane the other marched his prisoners back to the nearest post.

BIG VOTE FOR U.S. ARMY & NAVY

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuters).—President Roosevelt to-day signed the Supplementary Defence Bill giving the United States War and Navy Departments \$1,400,000,000 in cash appropriations and authority to make additional contracts totalling \$280,000,000.

This is in addition to the regular \$200,000,000 appropriations which Congress voted for the Army and Navy for the coming fiscal year.

The Supplementary Bill will enable the Navy to begin the construction of 22 new warships and to speed the construction of over 100.

It will enable the Army to build thousands of new aeroplanes.

STOCK EXCHANGE IMPROVEMENT

LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, an all-round improvement was noted owing to a brighter interpretation of war news.

Industrials recovered a good part of the recent losses, the leading stocks showing considerable gains. Knifirs were quietly absorbed and the base metals advanced in sympathy.

Oils were also stronger. Gift-edged securities were quiet, mainly firm.

Wall Street was firm.

Whereabouts Of U.S. Fleet Unknown

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuters).—Unconfirmed reports persist in informed quarters that part of the United States Fleet from Hawaii is at present heading for the West Coast of South America.

This is coupled with another report of unexplained Japanese manoeuvres in the Pacific near South America.

Nazi Troops On Spanish Border

MADRID, June 27 (Reuters).—German troops have arrived on the Franco-Spanish border at Hendaye.



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Federation: Nazi Model

The amazing drive of German mechanised forces has made a whole world wonder about its to-morrow. According to Nazi spokesmen, Europe will be a happier place when Germany can reorganise it. Concurrently Berlin has taken up the idea of federation, already so popular among the Allied peoples. Does this foreshadow that "happier place"? Possibly small nations with only fragmentary experience in democracy may be misled by Berlin's interest in their future; others will not be. No American, for example, could conceive of a federal union of the United States with one of the States acting as overlord of all the rest.

But the anomaly does not end here. It requires at least one more monstrosity to complete it: the notion that the leading State in such a union can be an autocracy and yet act as protector of democracy. For federation, as Americans, the British peoples, or the successful Swiss understand it, is synonymous with democracy.

Federation in the language of the Nazis might mean the giving of limited rights of local self-government to communities which did not oppose the Nazi interpretation of Europe's needs. To realise what this interpretation is, one need only consider Hitler's "land policy" as outlined in "Mein Kampf". The cardinal rule of this policy aims at a more or less constant ratio between the German population and the amount of land that Germans actually occupy.

The implications of such a rule hardly fit a pattern of true federation. The Third Reich's leaders have shown that they intend its population to increase steadily. This means that the amount of land that Germany needs must also increase steadily if Hitler's land policy is to be kept intact. Where, then, would States' rights fit in a multi-racial federation under Third Reich tutelage?

Obviously talk of federation under Nazi leadership is meaningless in the language of peoples now enjoying federation. As Thomas Mann has written of the Third Reich, "Force within and peace without—this is an impossible conjunction." It must also be said of federation as discussed in Berlin: Autocracy within and democracy without—this is an impossible supposition.

DO WE KNOW THE FRENCH?

"Of course, the French are so excitable!"

How often do we hear this remark! Made, too, in tones of the greatest conviction, so that one never bothers to inquire on what grounds the speaker bases the observation.

French excitability is for most of us an established fact, which we never bother to verify, and which is bolstered up by the popular stage presentation of French people, all shrill, restlessness, and chatter. And that presentation is as untrue as the French belief that London is eternally shrouded in fog, Scotland snow-bound for six months of the year, and the British diet an unvaried cycle of boiled cabbage, roast beef, and suet pudding.

I remember Paris when Hitler occupied the Rhineland, when the French felt they were on the brink of invasion. There was none of the shrill agitation one might have expected, only quiet groups of people in the streets, talking earnestly and two or three conversing quietly round a cafe table.

Or again, I saw Paris during the strikes in the summer of 1936. There were no chattering mobs, only good-humoured crowds gathered round the big shops watching for glimpses of strikers, much as a crowd at the zoo watches for the appearance of some rare and retiring animal.

It is true, that when the French speak they gesticulate and talk quickly, and to us it looks as if they were excited, because we usually gesticulate when speaking only if we are excited.

But the legend of the excitable Frenchman will die hard, as hard as the legend of the wicked Frenchman. There is a widespread conviction that the French are a "naughty" race. Paris is the wicked city. But Paris is no more wicked than London, New York, or Berlin; and what "wickedness" there is, is there largely for the entertainment of the foreign visitor.

Besides, Paris is no more representative of France than London is of Britain, and in Fontainebleau, about 40 miles from Paris, the hotels close at 10 p.m., and there is not a soul to be seen in the streets after that hour.

But if we dispose of the legend of the excitable and wicked Frenchman, whose diet is popularly supposed to consist chiefly of snails and frogs (which I never saw any French person eating during an eight months stay in France, though I did see snails for sale) varied by an occasional dish of horse-flesh (which is sometimes given to invalids in France as a strengthening diet), can we put any truer picture in its place?

Well, in some respects the French and the Scots have similar characteristics. Both are a thrifty race, without being mean. All Frenchwomen love a bargain, and take pride in making every centime pull its weight. They are a hard-working race. French people begin the day much earlier than we do (they think the British are a lazy race, though those who know enough to do so would probably make a distinction in this respect between English and Scots, in favour of the former), and

Lots of people have had their incomes reduced by the war.

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SEVENTEEN Years ago

I was a waiter in a cafe in France (30s. a week), then a publisher's dogsbody (£2), an actor (£3), a budding novelist (£5), a hopeless no-good (£2 nil), a very junior B.B.C. official (£5—wealth), editor of the Radio Times (£20), variety director (£35), producer of "Balalaika" (£75), Hollywood screen writer of "Good-bye Mr. Chips" (£200) . . . and to-day a minor Government official (£4).

Half-way between the bad actor and the budding novelist—about the 1924 stage—where I am to-day, I won't pretend that it is the only money I am ever likely to have, because I made a whole heap (and spent it) and intend one day soon to make a whole heap more.

But because it happens to be all the ready cash that's coming in, and because I believe that this is a time at which to work hard for the country and not to throw money around on easy living, I firmly intend to live on my £4.

WHEN I came here (to Liverpool) they put me in billets—my "digs." I am writing this to-night in digs. So like the lodgings of my touring actor days that I have to think twice to convince myself that I am not back in the merry old days of 1924. A rickety table, one I am to-day, a rickety bed, a rickety chair, that feel as thin as tissue paper, coal fire that costs me fourpence a night, a bath that requires a penny in the undiscoverable slot, a shilling shoeless outfit with which to brighten my £5-a-pair shoes.

In the wardrobe a carton of cheese, a packet of biscuits, a quarter of butter provide a Government servant with supper . . . that's the life, boys.

The grand thing is—I like it. I like "queuing" anxiously for the bathroom at 7.30, wolfing my breakfast and galloping for the tram that rattles me along to work. It is astonishing to find, at thirty-eight, that you can still have the fun you had at twenty-three. I am not allowed to smoke at work. That saves me thirty cigarettes a day—or 10s. 6d. a week.

It is, oddly enough, no hardship to do without a second drink at night in order to be able to save up for a week-end ticket to town in a fortnight's time.

FIVE HUNDRED men are working at the same job as I am—relieved colonels, baronets, Russian princes, barristers, journalists, actors and clerks. All but about fifty of them get the same £4 a week, live in the same tram.

And they like it too. Three men have cars and live at the local Grand Hotel. They are looked down on as pariahs.

You see we think we are doing a job that matters. And we are finding in the comradeship of the office, the canteen and the billets something precious that most of us had almost lost in the world of money, snobbery and pretence.

Almost all of us have tried to get into the Army and been firmly but kindly turned down for the moment. But this isn't such a bad substitute till the time comes along.

We talk a great deal out of office hours, after supper or over the odd beer. We don't talk about our work, but about the times we live in and the times that lie ahead.

NOT one of us, I believe, thinks in his heart of hearts that however the war may go the old world will come back again. Many of us quite frankly don't want it to. And somehow that £4 pay envelope on Saturdays seems to be the best preparation for the new world that we've got to make for ourselves and our brothers after war.

I should add this postscript though—£4 a week or no £4 a week, I get back to that little table and that fourpenny fire by half-past seven and sit until midnight, scribbling at the new play that I hope one day will be as much fun to produce as some of the others.

P.S.: As we used to say in the last war—"Dear mother, I am sending you a pound—but not this week!"

seven o'clock is a normal hour for breakfast. The schools begin at eight in the morning.

The French are fond of simple amusements. On Sundays they go in families to the parks and woods, and spend the day strolling in the sun, reading and sleeping in the shade, or paddling round the lake in a boat (all French parks have a pond or lake). On public holidays they may go farther afield and spend the day fishing in some pond or stream—that is to say, papa fishes, while mama cooks over a picnic fire, and the children tumble around.

On week-days you will find the parks full of mothers and children, the mothers knitting and sewing (never idle-handed), the children making sand-piles with the sand of the paths. Sometimes a father appears and plays with them in an unselfconscious abandon which I have yet to see displayed by a father in our parks.

The French are above all a nation of families. In France the family tie is immensely strong. You can see this, for one thing, in their funeral notices. A funeral notice is not issued merely in the name of the widow and the children, but also in the name of the children-in-law, sisters, brothers, uncles, aunts, and cousins of the deceased, all mentioned by name and with their relationship exactly specified.

The reason why parents in France exercise a greater control over the marriages of their children is because they regard a marriage not simply as a union between two individuals, but as a union of families.

They are, too, a very practical, logical people. Sometimes they sacrifice comfort to practicality as in their underground railway (the Metro). No one, they argue, would ever ride in the Metro for pleasure, but only to go from place to place quickly. So the Metro trains are speedy, admirably organised, and uncomfortable.

French people like good food, smart clothes, beautiful buildings, easily-run homes. They enjoy life. They believe in letting everyone alone to enjoy life in his new way, and they expect to be left alone themselves. That's why they do not at first make so good an impression on the stranger as other races. They don't fling open their doors to you till they are sure you will be congenial company; then they will treat you with infinite kindness and courtesy.

What more can be added? I have dwelt on the more everyday qualities of the French, but it must be remembered that they are probably the most artistic race in Europe, and that the love and appreciation of art in all its forms, but more especially of painting, is widely diffused throughout the population. On Sundays the Louvre is crowded with family parties who are enjoying the pictures.

The French are, too, an intensely patriotic people. We in Britain have nothing corresponding to the 14th of July, the day which commemorates the fall of the Bastille, and which, besides being a veritable festival of patriotism, expresses the French consciousness of that tradition of liberty of speech and of life which is their greatest contribution to European culture.

J. H. Caird

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Weep no more, woful Shepherds weep no more,
For Lycidas your sorrow is not dead,
Sunk though he be beneath the watery floor,
So sinks the day-star in the Ocean bed,
And yet anon repairs his drooping head,
And tricks his beams, and with new spangled Ore,
Flames in the forehead of the morning sky:
So Lycidas sunk low, but mounted high,
Through the dear night of Him that walk'd the
waves,
Where other groves, and other streams along,
With Nectar pure his oozy Locks he laves,
And hears the unexpressive nuptial Song,
In the blest Kingdoms meek of joy and love.
There entertain him all the Saints above,
In solemn troops and sweet Societies
That sing, and singing in their glory move,
And wipe the tears for ever from his eyes.
Now, Lycidas, the Shepherds weep no more;
Henceforth thou art the Genius of the shore,
In thy large recompense, and shalt be good
To all that wander in that perilous flood.
JOHN MILTON.
Elegy on a friend drowned in the Irish Channel, 1637.

A Woman Rules Stalin's Timber City

UP on the roof of the world, right inside the Arctic Circle, Russia has opened a new back door on to the Atlantic. It is a back door diplomatically as well as geographically. Through it Stalin, while shaking hands with Hitler's trade envoys in Moscow, plans to sell timber to Britain.

The two most useful ports on this Arctic Sea, pioneered by early explorers in an effort to find a North-East Passage to "the Indies," were, appropriately enough, discovered by Britain.

The landing of 150 British marines in April 1918 at Murmansk, in the north-west corner of Russia, the first units of the force sent to draw Germany back to the Eastern Front, drew attention to the potentialities of the country's all-the-year-round ice-free port.

The Gulf Stream and Mr. Stalin have continued in successful collaboration to make it one of the principal outlets for West Russia.

But 1,500 miles further east, in the mouth of the Yenisei River, lies Igarka, the real outlet for Siberia's timber and the glamour city of Russia's amazing development in the Arctic.

Igarka, too, owes its origin to the English.

Captain Joseph Wiggins in 1876 talked cautious London bankers into financing a ship to weather the Arctic and bring back a cargo of gold, furs and timber from Siberia, then to the Western world a much darker place than the Africa of Stanley and Livingstone.

Captain Wiggins reached the Yenisei in his ship, the Thames, as winter was setting in. He left his vessel in a snug tributary of the main river and hurried back to Europe by dog sleds with stories of the fabulous wealth of Siberia.

He repeated his great journey across the snow in the opposite direction in the spring. After two months

Fifty years later Soviet industrial surveyors decided the fine natural harbour beside the village in the estuary of the Yenisei would make an ideal base for the timber business. Built between 1929 and 1934, with the colour and castanets of an American frontier town and peopled by a curious mixture of sullen, exiled kulaks and fanatically patriotic shop workers, Igarka spends its short summer loading the timber freighters: conveyed through the ice floes of the Kara Sea by icebreakers.

In the long, dark winter the work of sawing and stacking logs goes on under arc lamps, while the temperature drops to fantastic figures which look like an English "heat-wave" in reverse.

The Stalin of this timber city is a woman—forty-five-year-old Valentina Petrovna Ostro-umova, once secretary to Lenin. Her official title is Secretary of the Igarka City Committee of the Communist Party, but she has ten times more power than the mayor of any English borough.

Mme. Ostro-umova (she left a husband and son in Moscow to go to the Arctic) has made her mushroom in the spring. After two months

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Nazis Short Of Pilots

Drive Amongst Youth For Volunteers

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Reuter's correspondent on the German frontier telegraphs that there is intensive propaganda among the Hitler Youth, for volunteers for the German Air Force.

This is regarded as evidence that the recent losses have been heavy. Men belonging to the class from 1904 to 1920 have not yet been called up but have been told to present themselves immediately to the local authorities.

The German newspapers are full of announcements of soldiers killed in action.

The Swiss newspaper, "Bund" reports that German wounded are housed in hotels and hospitals all along the Rhine from Basle to the shores of Lake Constance.

WOMAN RULES STALIN'S CITY

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room city as self-contained as possible.

Potatoes, turnips and other hardy vegetables are grown in the short summer, tomatoes and fruit under glass.

She has built a theatre to seat 1,000. More than a thousand of her citizens have radio sets. There is a daily newspaper with one page in English for the foreign sailors.

All this has been built on one product—timber—but one which is never likely to run out. The Russian forestry department allows only 4 per cent. of the matured trees to be cut each year.

Even then the swift waters of the Yenisei disgorge more logs than the sawmills and freighters can cope with.

And when the freighters have had their fill, weather reports from Arctic radio stations and scouting planes take them unconcernedly back to Europe, along the sea trails blazed by Nordenskjöld and Amundsen.

Anti-War Feeling Evident In Germany

HITLER'S PROBLEM IS APATHY OF HIS OWN PEOPLE

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—The Stockholm newspapers publish to-day an article by a special correspondent "on a victory which lacked enthusiasm."

The article begins by stating that Germany has won one of history's most rapid and most complete victories.

One would think this victory would arouse the German people, depressed after a hard winter and living on "ersatz" food, to a rapturous enthusiasm.

But this was not the case—all one heard was a small sigh of relief.

Rome Apathetic

The writer was in Rome when Italy declared war.

There was no sign of enthusiasm. When the Germans entered Paris, the writer was in Berlin and the "rejoicing" described in Swedish papers was, in fact, inaudible.

The German people read the news but made no comment and did not display any joy.

The same thing applied when Marshal Petain announced the French surrender.

What was the reason for this remarkable reaction in the face of an event which was perhaps decisive for the future of Germany?

People Are Tired

"I should think," writes the correspondent, "that the German people are just now very tired after a difficult winter."

"They are tired, after living on short commons and with many privations."

"They are tired after the tremendous trumpeting of official propaganda."

In the last war, the German home front collapsed so in this war the home front has perhaps been accorded too much attention and propaganda is tiring the people.

Propaganda Overcome

From early morning till late at night, the German radio roars in houses, on squares, in villages, forests and mountains.

War reports, analyses and commentaries are all coloured with anti-Allied propaganda spitting forth invective against the Allies.

The most powerful of all is the film—made by a propaganda unit working in the firing line. These films are astonishing but overwhelming. Every detail of raging warfare is presented—prisoners wounded and dead, ruins, explosions etc.

They are all accompanied by a flaming Nazi propaganda monologue. The result is too strong, for the

public who become numb and apathetic.

At the end of the film there is no applause, no cheering—the public is silent.

No one cares to rejoice over a victory after seeing such pictures.

Growing Immune

It appears that the German people are growing immune to the propaganda which is poured on them day after day. It tires rather than exhilarates them.

France is defeated and England remains. France was never hated but the English are hated.

Various methods of attack on England are being discussed—landing with rapid small boats after aircraft have bombed fortifications and a secret "freezing" method (used against the Albert Canal and the Maginot Line) has put the coastal batteries and breech pieces out of action; blocking from the air by destroying important harbours; the mass landing of troops by parachutes and troops by planes.

But the fact remains that the German people are not enthusiastic over the war.

They Want Peace

They wish to return to their normal life to work and raise their living standard.

They wish to cease seeing long Red Cross trains which are moving hospitals at night; they wish to cease seeing obituary notices in the papers being thinned.

Meanwhile how can a nation that has concentrated on war for six years return to a peaceful life? How can a great military camp become a peaceful community?

Even if Germany attains a dominant place in Europe there are still many problems left for her to solve. And the war is not yet over. It should be borne in mind that "England loses every battle except the last."

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—A clause establishing a \$50,000,000 fund to aid European refugees is contained in the Relief Bill signed by President Roosevelt to-day.

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Mr. Leon Blum, the one-time Socialist French Premier, has arrived in England.

POST OFFICE

GENERAL HOLIDAY

On Monday, the 1st July, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 9 a.m. to noon. Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays, one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11.40 a.m. and one delivery of registered correspondence at 11 a.m.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Tai Po and Un Long.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

INWARD MAILS

Haiphong	June 28
Japan	June 28
Japan and Shanghai	June 28
Japan and Shanghai	June 28
Bangkok	June 28
Canton	June 28
Japan	June 28
Japan and Manila	June 28
London and Straits	June 28
Shanghai	June 28
Shanghai and Amoy	June 28

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Shanghai	12.30 p.m.
Swatow and Parais only for Tientsin	1.00 p.m.
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Ord.	3.00 p.m.

G.P.O.

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G.P.O.

Reg.	5 p.m.
Ord.	7 p.m.

Shanghai (Parcels only) 9.00 a.m.

Calcutta

Parcels 10.30 a.m.

Ord. 11.30 a.m.

Formosa, Shanghai and Japan

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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1—Member of ancient Egyptian race
- 2—Pooled
- 3—Combining forms
- 4—State as true
- 5—Ship out
- 6—Nothing but
- 7—Set
- 8—Biblical figure
- 9—Eighty proper
- 10—Unit of duration
- 11—Wield
- 12—Vegetable
- 13—One who accepts as one's own
- 14—Of greater height
- 15—Built a hundred
- 16—Constellation
- 17—Mordid poison
- 18—Not made
- 19—Reward of merit
- 20—Rectangular wooden piece
- 21—Bought shaped figure
- 22—Curved worm
- 23—Sound
- 24—Pile of hay
- 25—Pile of hay with wiring
- 26—Tuned in, as radio set
- 27—Opposed to
- 28—Reappearing quickly
- 29—Tried
- 30—Periodic water movement

DOWN

- 1—Dwell outdoors
- 2—On top of
- 3—Persian mythological spirit
- 4—Scout with fear
- 5—East Indian cedar
- 6—Pertaining to city
- 7—Victims
- 8—Goddess of dawn
- 9—Awaken
- 10—Approximately
- 11—Blip
- 12—Dilemma
- 13—Deteriorate
- 14—Long day
- 15—Vegetated
- 16—Large volume
- 17—Painstaking
- 18—The end
- 19—Main servant
- 20—Dunce
- 21—Sea eagle
- 22—Undesirable place
- 23—European herb
- 24—Change location of
- 25—Dimming planet
- 26—Cease to live
- 27—Makes greater width
- 28—Fine out
- 29—Star-like dower
- 30—Show way to
- 31—Summed up
- 32—Smooth fabric
- 33—Scandal
- 34—In addition to
- 35—Genus of amphibian
- 36—Locked at
- 37—Knock sharply

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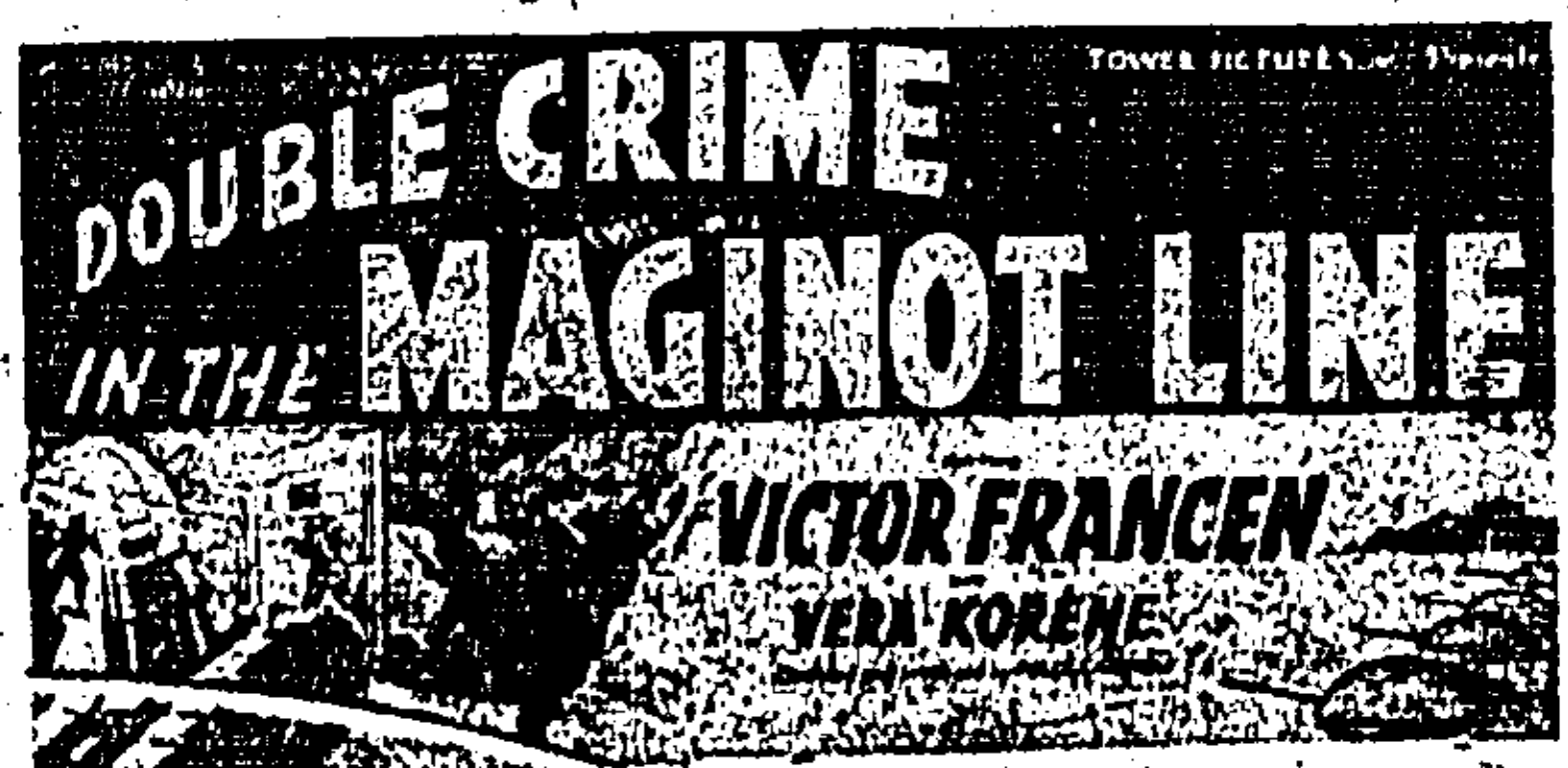
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Republicans To Choose Candidate For The Presidency

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (UP).—The Republican Party will choose its candidate for the Presidential elections to-day. Senator Taft appears to have the best prospects of being nominated. It is generally conceded that there will be no straight-cut choice, and several ballots will be required before the candidate is finally chosen. The first ballot will be held at 4.30 p.m. and voting will continue throughout the night until the nominee is chosen.

Willkie's sensational bid for nomination appears to have lost ground. Mr. Thomas Dewey may lead on the first ballot but the tide is expected to turn against him on the second ballot.

No Majority Yet
PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—The first ballot failed to produce the necessary majority for any candidate. For this 500 votes are necessary. Mr. Thomas Dewey received 359, Senator Taft 189 and Mr. Wendell Willkie 100. In the second ballot, Mr. Dewey had 338, Senator Taft 203 and Mr. Willkie 171.

Republicans' 10 Candidates
PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—Ten candidates have been nominated for the U.S. Presidency by the Republican Party National Convention, including Mr. Taft and Senator Arthur Vandenberg.

The two first-named are favorites. A bitter fight is expected. The final balloting begins to-night.

Party v. Popular Sentiment
PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—It is becoming increasingly clear at the Republican Party National Convention that the real fight is between Senator Robert A. Taft, the Party candidate, and Mr. Wendell Willkie, the popular candidate.

Mr. Willkie, a public utilities magnate, appears to be more sympathetic towards President Roosevelt's policy of "all aid for the Allies short of war" than the declaration in the Party's official platform, which is generally believed to be framed by the Party's bosses in order to militate against Mr. Willkie's chances.

The Convention is one of the most open ones for many years, chiefly because of the manner in which Mr. Willkie's vivid personality and obvious competence have caught the imagination of delegates.

The Taft-Willkie fight no doubt will be bitter. Observers feel that if the Party machine fails to get a better grip on the delegates, Mr. Willkie has an excellent chance to be nominated on an enormous wave of popular sentiment.

Candidates Named
PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—In addition to Senator Robert Taft, Mr. Wendell Willkie and Senator Arthur Vandenberg, the other seven Republicans nominated for the U.S. Presidency are Thomas Dewey, Frank Gannett, Senator Bridges, Governor James, Senator McNary, Senator Bushfield and Hamford McVicker.

Mr. Herbert Hoover, the former president, has not yet been nominated but he stated that he is willing to stand.

WAR FACTORIES IN CANADA

OTTAWA, June 27 (Reuter).—The British Supply Board has assumed the capital cost of factory construction on behalf of 35 Canadian companies, according to the Canadian Department of Munitions Supply.

The Board has made commitments of well over £12,500,000. These expenditures will, it is estimated, produce war materials to a value exceeding £62,500,000 a year. In addition to financing the factories, the Board has placed orders for a year's supply of their output.

EGYPT'S NEW CABINET

CAIRO, June 27 (Reuter).—King Farouk of Egypt has entrusted Hassan Sabry Pasha, the former Egyptian Minister in London and Minister of Defence, with the task of forming a new Cabinet.

The new ministry is expected to be a coalition.

RUMANIA SUBMITS TO RUSSIAN DEMANDS

Russia yesterday served a note on Rumania demanding that she restore Bessarabia and North Bukovina to the Soviet. According to a Berlin report control of Constanta and Tulcea were also demanded.

Confronted with 10 p.m. as the deadline for its decision, the Rumanian King's Council met at Bucharest after the delivery of the note and, according to a report from Berlin, submitted to the demands.

Rome, June 27. The Stefani News Agency Bucharest correspondent reported to-day that M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, had delivered a note to Rumania, demanding the immediate restitution to Russia of Bessarabia and North Bukovina, which are inhabited chiefly by Ukrainians, and control of Constanta and Tulcea. The deadline was 10 p.m.

M. Molotov received the Rumanian Minister in Moscow and presented the demands. The King's Council met at Bucharest at 12.30 p.m. while Russian planes flew over Bessarabia and Bukovina, clearly showing that the requests were backed up by military force.

Officials at first refused to confirm the demands and consors stopped all communications. However, just after the expiration of the deadline, it was officially announced that the Council had accepted the demands.

Allied quarters in Bucharest insisted that Germany would aid Rumania in the event of Russia attempting to take over Bessarabia. They said that 200 Messerschmitts arrived this week alone. However, Axis circles accuse Allied quarters of wishful thinking only in this connection.

Reports of Russian aviation and military activities on the frontier were clarified to some extent to-day. It was disclosed that early this week Rumanian anti-aircraft guns fired on Soviet planes, which subsequently apologised for flying over Rumanian territory by mistake.

Four Soviet planes crossed the border and appeared over Cernavta. Fired upon by Rumanian frontier guards, one crashed and the rest flew away after dropping bombs. The Rumania Aviation Company has temporarily suspended its services.—United Press.

Italy And Germany Know

Bucharest, June 27. It is authoritatively stated that Bessarabia and North Bukovina were handed over to the Soviet without fighting with the knowledge of Germany and Italy.

It is understood that the demands were made in conjunction with Bulgaria, where demonstrations were held at Sofia urging the restitution of Dobruja.

TOKYO AND H.K. BORDER

TOKYO, June 28 (Reuter).—Japanese troops are now stationed at most points along the Hongkong border, including Shau-chung, which field despatches received here describe as an important storehouse for the supply of arms to General Chiang Kai-shek.

New Indo-China Governor

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, June 28 (Domei).—It is understood that the French Ambassador, M. Henry, has assured Japan that the appointment of Vice Admiral Decoux, the French Commander-in-Chief in the Far East, as Governor-General of French Indo-China will not affect the decisions already reached by France and Japan regarding Indo-China.

The Ambassador has confirmed the recall to France of General Catroux, the Indo-China Governor General, and the replacement by Vice-Admiral Decoux.

Franco-Japanese Agreement

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SHANGHAI, June 28 (UP).—The Japanese military authorities and the French Concession authorities have concluded a new agreement. It provides for French co-operation in clearing the Concession of anti-Japanese elements.

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

A "UNITED PRESS" message from Berlin states that the Soviet claims on Rumania were made with the complete knowledge and approval of Germany and Italy.

The message claims that the three Totalitarian Powers have reached a general understanding regarding their interests in south-eastern Europe.



ULTIMATUM HAS FIVE DEMANDS

BUDAPEST, June 28 (UP).—It is officially reported in Budapest that King Carol has acceded to the Russian ultimatum.

According to official Hungarian sources, Soviet troops are already marching through the Carol Line into Bessarabia.

By FRANK STEVENS
UNITED PRESS STAFF
CORRESPONDENT

BUCHAREST, June 27 (UP).—King Carol held a second conference with Italy and Germany to-day in a desperate zero hour effort to side-track the Soviet ultimatum, which expired at 10 p.m. (4 a.m. H.K.T.).

The Russian ultimatum is backed by troops massed along the Carol Line—Rumania's counterpart of the Maginot Line which would fall into Russian hands if the territorial demands are conceded—and it is planes which have roared throughout the day over Bessarabia.

If Rumania accedes to the demands, one-sixth of the country will pass into Soviet hands. Two vital naval bases on the Black Sea and control of the Danube will be lost.

At 8 p.m.—two hours before the deadline—strong opposition suddenly developed in Rumania, and officials in Bucharest told me that reports that King Carol had already acceded were premature.

Sources close to M. Gafencu, the former Foreign Minister who is handling the negotiations on behalf of Rumania, told me that Rumania has not yet yielded.

Bitter opposition is growing to the magnitude of the Russian demands. Peace or bloodshed?

Russia's ultimatum stresses the desire of the Soviet to take over the territory peacefully. If it cannot be taken without bloodshed, says Russia, it will be taken with bloodshed.

There is a mass of Moldavians, Ukrainians and Jews are already fleeing to the interior.

Others are flocking southwards to the Black Sea, hoping to escape to another country by ship.

Five Demands

The Soviet demands are as follows: 1.—All Bessarabia, the third largest Rumanian province with a total area of 16,150 square miles, to be ceded to Russia.

2.—The two northern districts of Bukovina province, an area of 2,000 square miles bordering Russia and Poland, and once part of Austro-Hungary, to be ceded.

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According to these quarters Germany and Italy made known their willingness to recognise Russia's territorial claims in order to "make good the injustice of the last war", but stipulated that they must be carried out in such a way as not to cause a general outbreak of war or economic disturbance in the Balkans.

According to "Domel" the Soviet ultimatum was "handed to the Rumanian Minister at Moscow by M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Commissioner, on Wednesday.

Russia used as an excuse for the ultimatum the fact that a Soviet plane which flew over Bessarabia earlier on the same day had been shot down by Rumanian anti-aircraft guns.

Red Demonstration
Another message from Bucharest states that Soviet planes flew over Rumania throughout yesterday, while huge fleets of mechanised units were concentrated across the Dniester River in full view of the Rumanian frontier guards.

A "United Press" message from Bucharest, despatched at 4 a.m. (10 a.m. H.K.T.), stated that the Rumanian Crown adjourned at 10.30 p.m. Well-informed circles in Bucharest, says the message, do not expect any further developments until Russia has replied to the Rumanian request that the Soviet should name the place and date for negotiations.

Hungarian Demands
Meanwhile, says a "Domel" report from Budapest, the Hungarian Cabinet held a long session yesterday afternoon.

Immediately afterwards Count Czaky, the Foreign Minister, held important consultations with the German and Italian Ministers in Budapest.

The message claims that Hungary may present demands on Rumania for the return of the lost Transylvanian provinces, which were taken by Rumania after the 1914-18 war.

Britain's New Envoy
In Moscow, says "United Press," the U.S.S.R. President, M. Kalinin, has agreed to meet the new British Ambassador, Sir Stafford Cripps, at 12.30 p.m. to-day. Sir Stafford will present his credentials, which had to be cabled to Moscow as a result of the interruption to the mail service.

"United Press" reports from Bucharest that the German Minister, Herr Fabritius, has departed for Vienna, where he will meet Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister. They will discuss the Rumanian situation.

In Washington, the U.S. State Department states that President Roosevelt has been closely informed regarding Russia's demands on Rumania, but the White House declines to make any comment.

ANOTHER RAID ON CHUNGKING

JAPANESE WARPLANES carried out their seventeenth air raid on Chungking yesterday.

A Japanese communiqué claims that "military constructions" in the western suburbs were bombed. Bombs were dropped in the Fow-tai-tai sector.

A "United Press" message stated that the Japanese planes bombed the National Central University, ten miles north of Chungking.

100 Planes in Raid
CHUNGKING, June 28 (Reuters).—Over 100 Japanese bombers in three groups raided the western outskirts of Chungking at noon yesterday.

Several fires were started in the suburbs but no bombs landed in the city.

BESSARABIAN SCENE



THE JEWISH QUARTER of Chisinau in Bessarabia is where the town's clean and prosperous shops are centred. The goods for sale inside are painted on signs outside. Goldman and Flesel are Rumanian Jewish names. In manufacturas the goods sold are also cut and sewn. Galanterie means notions store.

HITLER COUNTS CHICKENS BEFORE THEY'RE HATCHED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 28 (Domel).—Reports reaching London indicate that many small-type German vessels are being heavily concentrated at the various French ports in the English Channel and Straits of Dover.

ZURICH, June 28 (Reuters).—The Berlin correspondent of the "Neue Zürcher Zeitung" says that Hitler is planning a triumphant entry into Berlin on August 1 "after a victory over Britain."

Sappers are clearing a space for the victory parade and orders are given for the erection of stands.

The correspondent says that preparations for the offensive against Britain are proceeding at a tremendous speed.

Paving Public Opinion
Meanwhile the German Press is full of protest against British raiders who are alleged to drop bombs at random on villages.

The Franco-German armistice is regarded as merely the framework of German demands, giving the German Armistice Commission a big legway to decide how severely France will be treated.

The Creusot factory will in future work for Germany.

Germany is insisting that French civilian refugees return home to restart industries and bring in the harvest.

German troops have begun the evacuation of Lyons, the Rhone Valley and Savoy but will not fully retire to the armistice line till the west coast strip of France is occupied.

The importance of this strip is emphasised in the "Berliner Börsen Zeitung," which says that it gives Germany the possibility of obtaining imports from Spain and Portugal, and "creates a patch to North Africa which can quickly be enlarged in the course of the forthcoming action against Britain."

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor and Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court, has received a brief cable stating that his brother, has been killed in action.

LONDON, June 27 (Reuters).—Mr. Leon Blum, the one-time Socialist French Premier, has arrived in England.

JAPAN FLIRTS WITH DICTATORS: TALKS IN ROME

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, June 27 (UP).—Japan is now conducting conversations with Rome and Berlin regarding the Japanese position in connection with Indo-China and the Dutch East Indies.

It is authoritatively revealed that Mr. Naotak Sato, Japanese Ambassador-Extraordinary, who went to Italy at the head of the commercial and friendship mission, is carrying on the negotiations on behalf of Japan.

Diplomatic quarters say that Mr. Sato, who arrived in Berlin a few days ago, will see Herr von Ribbentrop soon and will discuss with him the question of the Dutch East Indies.

He will then return to Rome, where he has already been engaged in conversations with members of the Italian Government concerning French Indo-China.

Reliable quarters state that before leaving for Berlin, Mr. Sato was at Venice with the Japanese commercial mission when Mussolini declared war. He afterwards went to Rome and conferred personally with Mussolini before leaving for Berlin.

New Instructions
Mr. Sato has been in constant touch with the Japanese Foreign Minister since Italy entered the war and he has received new instructions from Tokyo since the surrender of France.

A London message quoted by "Domel" says that Mr. R. A. Butler yesterday called on Mr. Shigenitsu, the Japanese Ambassador at the latter's official residence for important conversations. It is believed that these centred round an adjustment of relations between Japan and Britain in connection with the Japanese request for Turn to Page 2, Fourth Column

WILLKIE NOMINATED

Republican Candidate For Presidency

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (UP).—Mr. Wendell Willkie, described as the "popular sentiment" candidate, has been nominated Republican candidate for the next U.S. Presidential election, after an exciting contest with Senator Robert Taft and Mr. Thomas Dewey.

Mr. Willkie took a substantial lead on the fourth ballot after Mr. Dewey had received a good vote on the third ballot.

Mr. Willkie polled 306 against Senator Taft's 254 and Mr. Dewey's 250.

The fifth ballot resulted as follows: Mr. Wendell Willkie 429
Senator Robert Taft 377
Mr. Thomas Dewey 57

Dewey Withdraws
After this poll, Mr. Dewey retired, and subsequently Mr. Willkie was declared the nominated candidate.

Mr. Willkie's nomination is significant as, according to political comment, he is inclined to favour President Roosevelt's foreign policy so far as United States and the European war is concerned.

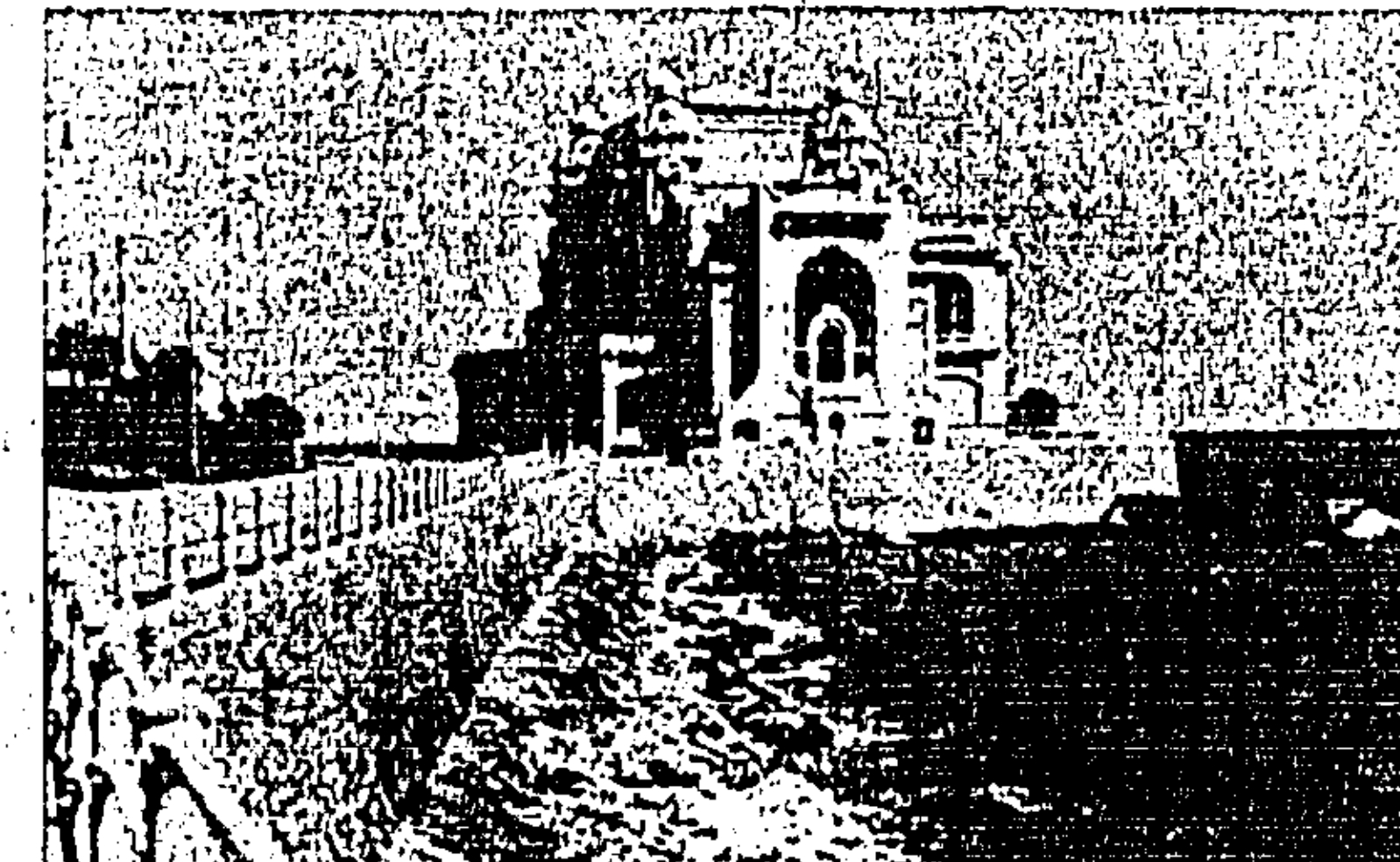
Senator Robert Taft was the party's favourite, but popular sentiment was said to be behind Mr. Willkie.

Earlier Reports
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (UP).—The Republican Party will choose its candidate for the Presidential elections to-day.

Senator Taft appears to have the best prospects of being nominated. It is generally conceded that there will be no straight-cut choice and Turn to Page 2, Fifth Column

LATEST



A VIEW OF CONSTANZA, one of the Black Sea ports which Russia demands.

MORE NAZI AIR RAIDS

Bombs Dropped In North-East England

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 28 (UP).—German bombers crossed the south-east coast at 12.30 to-day.

Bombs were dropped over certain districts in north-eastern England at 1.40 a.m.

Anti-aircraft guns went into action. The Air Ministry report of the raids states: "Enemy aircraft crossed the coast during the night."

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuters).—A clause establishing a \$30,000,000 fund to aid European refugees is contained in the Relief Bill signed by President Roosevelt to-day.

NO PEACE PROPOSALS

American Reports Denied In London

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, June 28 (Domel).—American newspapers reported to-day that Germany has forwarded peace proposals to Britain through General Franco in Spain.

It is claimed that Germany has offered to end hostilities on the basis that the British Empire will remain intact, except for the mandated territories—the former German colonies—and Gibraltar and Britain's share in the Suez Canal.

According to the reports both the Suez Canal and Gibraltar would become international settlements.

Hitler To Speak
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, June 27 (Domel).—Berlin reports completely deny the Turn to Page 2, Second Column

THE "TELEGRAPH" STANDS FROM AN AUTHORITY SOURCE THAT CERTAIN SHIPS IN HONGKONG HARBOR WERE DETAINED THIS AFTERNOON FOR EVACUATION PURPOSES.

At 3 p.m. to-day, the War Fund passed the \$1,195,000 mark.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

To-day is Coronation Day. The war vessels which other readers are part owners duly banded away at noon to notify the anniversary. Business did not stop worth a cent though.

The final sets in the tennis match between the American, Pettit and the Englishman, Saunders, took place in Dublin on May 30. The match was won by Pettit. When play was resumed the scores were tied each having won four sets out of the total 13. Pettit won three sets and Saunders one. Pettit is now declared champion of the world. The first set was won by Pettit, 6 to 3, the second 6 to 3, Saunders won the third by 6 to 4. Pettit won the fourth by 6 to 2.

General Brine, the Channel balloonist, is dead.

Zola has finished the task of his great series of novel and future will devote himself to play writing. The only play he ever wrote was at the University of Lyons and was not seriously applauded.

25 YEARS AGO

Details received in Paris of the capture of the Albatross of the Matoral show it as one of the most heroic of French feats of arms.

On Friday we printed a quaint letter which spoke with an amusing air of confidence, as to the present war, which was written by the Prophet of the future, which is to usher in the thousand years of peace. It is a letter which is a masterpiece of materialism. It is a letter which is a masterpiece of materialism. It is a letter which is a masterpiece of materialism.

10 YEARS AGO

K. S. Duleep Singh, the well known Sussex batsman, achieved the highest distinction in a cricketer's career to-day when he compiled the highest individual score in an Anglo-Australian Test match at Lord's. He also compiled his famous century, 141 runs, in the first innings.

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G. O. B. Allen, b Fairfax... 3
M. W. Tate, c McCabe, b Wall... 54
J. C. White, not out... 7
C. Duckworth, not out... 25
Extras... 20
Total (nine wickets)... 405

The text is published of messages exchanged between King George and the Emperor of the East on the occasion of the visit to London of Prince Takamatsu, second brother of the Emperor, and Prince Hirohito, the Emperor's son, who arrived in London yesterday.

George, in a message to the Emperor despatched yesterday said: "The Queen and I have this afternoon entertained our guests with feelings of delight Prince and Princess Takamatsu and we are glad to see them both in the best of health. It gives me the greatest pleasure to inform your Imperial Majesty that I have today promised you to rank of Field Marshal in my Army. I have entrusted the baton to your brother to hand to your Imperial Majesty on his return home when I hope he will carry with him the renewed assurance of lasting friendship between our two countries."

5 YEARS AGO

A National Defence Loan "enabling us to pull up to our proper position in the world and put ourselves abreast of our great responsibilities" was advocated by Mr. Winston Churchill at a dinner of the Nineteen Hundred Club, a Conservative organisation in London to-night. Mr. Churchill, who was the guest of the club, said that the Government had not changed Britain's terms for peace with Germany.

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Nearly 12,000,000 votes were cast upon each question asked in the National Peace Ballot in London and the results were announced by Lord Cecil at an enthusiastic mass meeting in the Albert Hall to-night. The final figures showed over 11,000,000 votes were cast in favour of Britain remaining a member of the League of Nations. Only 350,000 voted against membership at Geneva. The question whether economic, non-military sanctions should be applied to an aggressor nation, 10,000,000 voted the affirmative.

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NO PEACE PROPOSALS

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rumours that Germany has made certain peace proposals through General Franco.

Hitler may, however, make an important statement in his speech to-morrow, the anniversary of the conclusion of the Treaty of Versailles.

Official London Denial

LONDON, June 27 (Dome).—The British Government has officially denied the report that Germany has made peace proposals to Great Britain. It is stressed that the Government had not changed Britain's terms for peace with Germany.

No signs are to be seen of any change of character in the German Government, which is not at all likely to cease its many crimes, to which the British Empire must continue bitterly to accede.

relative and 630,000 in the negative. But only 6,750,000 votes in favour of military measures if sanctions were found necessary, and 2,531,000 against.

C. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 2nd day of July, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency, the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon Tsi, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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2	Tsun Wan Island Lot No. 23	Tsun Wan Island, D.D. 331, North-east of Cheung Nin Island, near the end of the island.	N. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	40,000	40,000	\$1200	\$7200

340 ALIENS RELEASED

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Since September last, 340 aliens have been released from internment, Sir John Anderson (Home Secretary) revealed to-day.

These were mostly young people of from 16 to 17 years of age, many of whom have been allowed to return to their own countries and technicians needed for work of national importance.

About 750 British citizens are at present being detained in this country.

Defence Regulations

LONDON, June 27 (UP).—In the House of Commons to-day the Home Secretary announced that so far 750 British and French subjects have been interned under the Defence Regulations.

It was also revealed that the police for the last few days have been rounding up Class "C" Germans and Austrians throughout the country who have heretofore been exempt from all restrictions. In London alone 600 have been detained in a special internment camp.

Up to the present 64,000 Class "C" enemy aliens have been at large.

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JAPAN FLIRTS WITH DICTATORS

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the cessation of transporting war supplies to Chiang Kai-shek through Burma.

The Foreign Office is still carefully examining the Japanese representations.

It is understood adds "Domei" that the British Government will shortly send instructions to the British authorities in Burma and Hongkong in the near future regarding the stoppage of goods to the Chiang regime.

Japan's Attitude

In the meantime, the British Government is reported to be seriously concerned over Japan's attitude toward the European war, says "Domei."

Some reports assert that Mr. Sato, Japan's special envoy in Europe has been instructed by the Japanese Foreign Office to conduct negotiations with Hitler for the promotion of political and economic relations between Japan and Germany.

Kwangsi Fighting

Fighting in Kwangsi near the Indo-China border is reported by "Domei" which says that Japanese forces yesterday afternoon completely captured the walled city of Ning-ming and are now advancing still further.

Another Japanese detachment, it is claimed, has cut off the retreat of those Chinese troops defeated at Ningming, and is now dealing them a fatal blow.

Another "Domei" report from Shumchun says that Japanese forces which are operating along the Hongkong frontier, yesterday morning captured Lungkung.

Japanese Claim

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, June 27 (Domei).—It is reliably reported that the British Government will probably accede to the Japanese request for the closure of the Chinese supply route through Burma.

In the course of an interview to-day between Mr. R. A. Butler and Mr. Shigemitsu, the Japanese Ambassador stressed the validity of the Japanese request for stopping the supply of war materials to China through Burma and other routes in light of a settlement of the China Affair.

Recalling the French Government's acceptance of the Japanese claims in this connection, the Ambassador urged the British Government to comply with the Japanese request.

Replying Mr. Butler is said to have pointed out that the British Government is paying the most careful attention to the Japanese representations on the basis of advice submitted by the British Ambassador to Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie.

ULTIMATUM HAS FIVE DEMANDS

FROM PAGE ONE

3.—Constanza, Rumania's chief outlet to the Black Sea, to become a Russian naval base, with complete Russian jurisdiction;

4.—The naval base at Tulcea, on the north bank of the Danube, to be ceded;

5.—The Danubian port of Giurgiu, 40 miles south of Bucharest, to be ceded.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

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WILLKIE NOMINATED

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several ballots will be required before the candidate is finally chosen.

The first ballot will be held at 4.30 p.m. and voting will continue throughout the night until the nominee is chosen.

Willkie's sensational bid for nomination appears to have lost ground. Mr. Thomas Dewey may lead on the first ballot but the tide is expected to turn against him on the second ballot.

No Majority Yet

PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—The first ballot failed to produce the necessary majority for any candidate. For this 500 votes are necessary.

Mr. Thomas Dewey received 350, Senator Taft 189 and Mr. Wendell Willkie 100.

In the second ballot, Mr. Dewey had 338, Senator Taft 203 and Mr. Willkie 171.

Recess was then taken.

Republicans 10 Candidates

PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—Ten candidates have been nominated for the U.S. Presidency by the Republican Party National Convention, including Mr. Wendell Willkie, Senator Robert A. Taft and Senator Arthur Vandenberg.

The two first-named are favourites. A bitter fight is expected.

The final balloting begins to-night.

Party v. Popular Sentiment

PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—It is becoming increasingly clear at the Republican Party National Convention that the real fight is between Senator Robert A. Taft and Mr. Wendell Willkie, the popular candidate.

Mr. Willkie, a public utilities magnate, appears to be more sympathetic towards President Roosevelt's policy of "all aid for the Allies short of war" than the declaration in the Party's official platform, which is generally believed to be framed by the Party's bosses in order to militate against Mr. Willkie's chances.

The Convention is one of the most open ones for many years, chiefly because of the manner in which Mr. Willkie's vivid personality and obvious competence have caught the imagination of delegates.

The Taft-Willkie fight no doubt will be bitter. Observers feel that if the Party machine fails to get a better grip on the delegates, Mr. Willkie's vivid personality and obvious competence have caught the imagination of delegates.

Candidates Named

PHILADELPHIA, June 27 (Reuter).—In addition to Senator Robert Taft, Mr. Wendell Willkie and Senator Arthur Vandenberg, the other seven Republicans nominated for the U.S. Presidency are Thomas Dewey, Frank Cannon, Senator Bridges, Governor James S. McFarland, Senator Bushfield and Sanford McNider.

Mr. Herbert Hoover, the former president, has not yet been nominated but he is willing to stand.

Bucharest-Radio announced at 8.30 p.m. (2.30 a.m. H.K.T.) that the Rumanian Council has decided to "discuss the question of Bessarabia and northern Bukovina."

A Rumanian delegation is prepared to meet the Soviet representatives at a time and place to be nominated by Russia.

How Nazis Succeeded

It has sometimes seemed inexplicable how the Germans were able to occupy certain aerodromes. The method adopted was to try and destroy the defences from the air, at the same time attacking the defending troops in the back by parachutists.

As soon as the attackers occupied the aerodromes a great number of troops carrying enemy planes landed. The parachutists were often dressed in Netherlands military uniforms, which not only enabled them to pass as Dutch soldiers but also enabled them to requisition motor cars, which greatly increased their freedom of action.

Although many of the parachutists may have landed in various disguises they mostly obtained these from Nazi sympathisers on the ground, not only able to dress up as priests, monks, policemen, women, and mingle with the crowds, spending the nights in the houses of their German friends.

Numerous parachutists were only young boys who in many cases did not even know they were in Holland and some of whom had never even flown. The majority, however, were equipped with automatic rifles, bicycles and wireless transmitters. Trench mortars, motorcycles and munitions were lowered by special parachutes.

Posed As Dutch Soldiers

Some parachutists dressed themselves in Dutch army uniforms, joined up with Dutch army detachments whom they suddenly attacked, inflicting frightful losses. Others grabbed women, or children playing in the streets, whom they used as shields in their advance.

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Expert Dutch Observers Say —

MAGAZINE PAGE

CHURCHILL ESCAPED FROM GAOL

Goebbels Misses A Chance For A Gibe

In all the vitriolic outbursts that Dr. Goebbels, chief Nazi propagandist, has directed at Winston Churchill, one bitter blast that he could have used with some claim to truth has been missing.

Goebbels has never called Churchill a gaol-bird; yet the First Lord of the Admiralty spent his 25th birthday in a Boer prison.

Winston Churchill's escape from captivity with a handsome price on his head is perhaps the most colourful episode in his amazing career.

At a salary of £250 a month, Churchill was on his way to the South African war as correspondent for the Morning Post, when a British armoured reconnaissance train was derailed near Chieveley on November 15, 1899, and he was taken prisoner by the Boers, and interned in Pretoria's Stands Model School.

The school was in the heart of the Boer territory, heavily guarded, and surrounded by a high iron fence. After Churchill had been in custody for a month, he decided to escape.

With heavy odds against getting away, audacity was the only card he had to play. About 7 p.m. on December 12, 1899, whilst the other internees were at dinner, Churchill chose a moment when the sentries' backs were turned, and scaled the wall, to drop into hiding among shrubbery. He had some chocolate, and £75 in his pockets.

After an hour's hiding, he skirted the house in the school grounds, and strolled carelessly, but with a thumping heart, into the streets of the Boer capital.

Leaving Pretoria without being challenged, he found the Delagoa Bay railway, and boarded a moving goods train moving eastward.

Until dawn, Churchill journeyed towards the coast among bags of coal dust, and then jumped out as the train slowed on an incline.

HE hid all day in a thicket on the side of a ravine with a culture for company.

He ate the chocolate and as the day got hotter and wandering patrols made it too risky to go down to a nearby stream, he suffered severely from thirst.

That night he tried but failed to pick up another east-bound train. He was becoming too weak to walk after his month's internment, followed by lack of food.

He knew that in the district some long-resident Englishmen had been permitted to retain a neutral freedom to keep the coal mines working, and, seeing a house some little way from the railway line, he made towards it, gambling on it being the residence of a fellow countryman.

Churchill's timid knock on the door was answered by Mr. John

Howard, manager of the Transvaal Collieries—the only non-Boer for 20 miles.

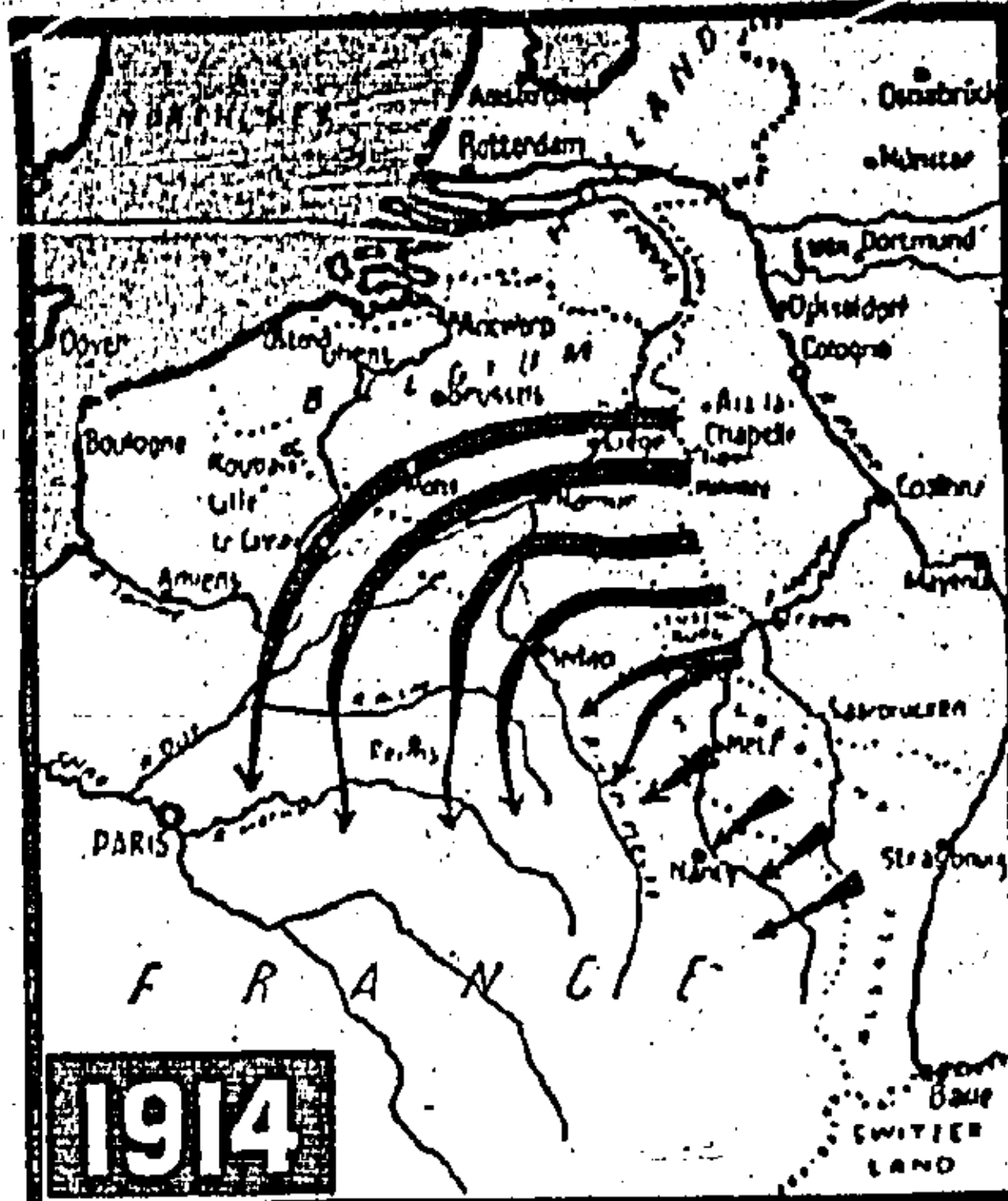
Howard and his British companions concealed Churchill in the mine workings until December 19, when they hid him among some bales of wool being trucked to Delagoa Bay. He had food and water with him, and remained in the truck for three days while the train rumbled towards the coast.

When it arrived at Lourenco Marques, Churchill slipped out of the truck, went to the British consulate, and caught a boat to Durban the same evening.

He served as an officer of the South African Light Horse for the remainder of the war.

Three years passed before Churchill discovered the identity of the Boer burgher who had taken him prisoner. It was Louis Botha, by this time a General.

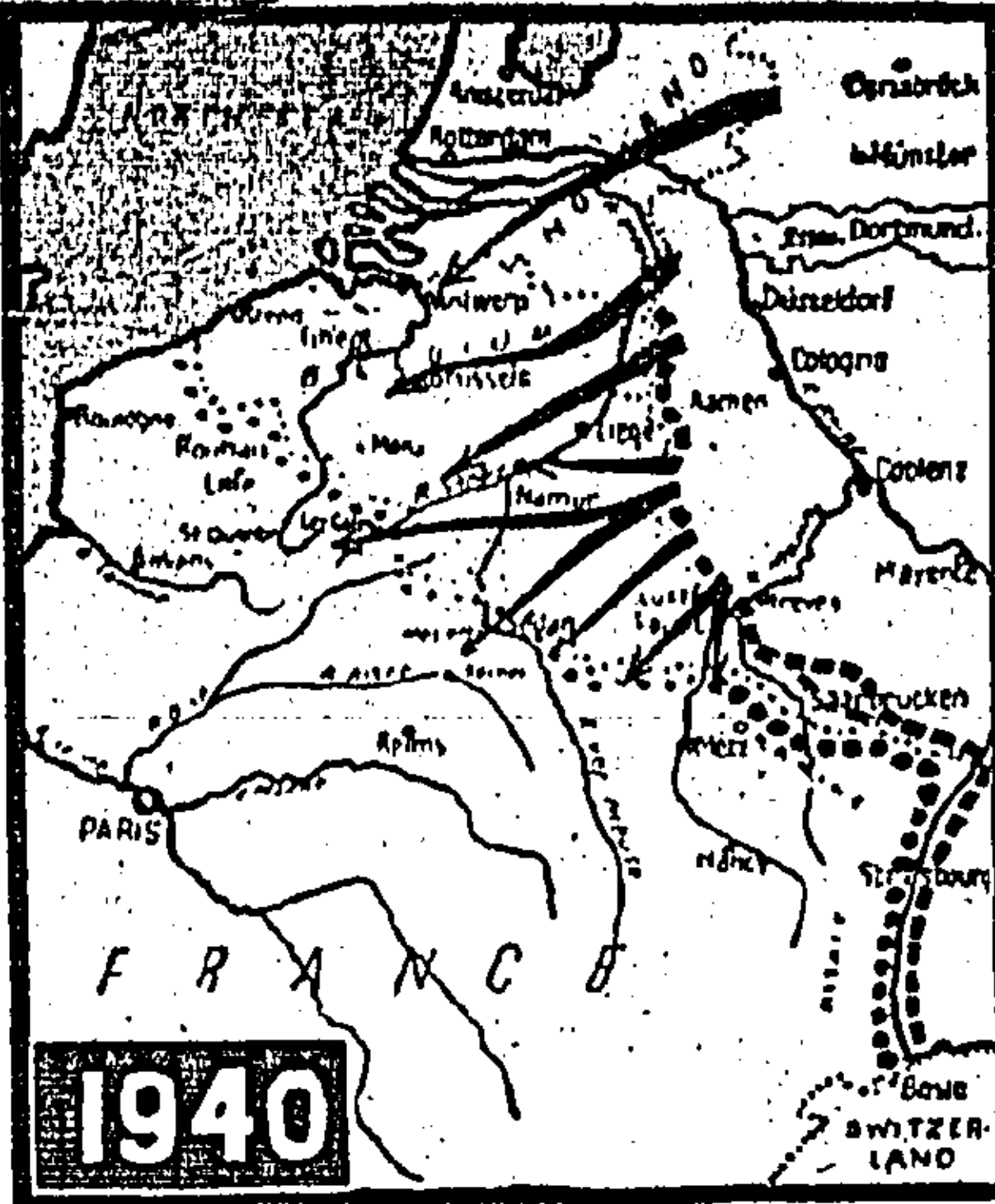
Later, when Churchill was Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, Botha became Prime Minister of the Transvaal.



THE arrows in the 1914 map show how far the Germans advanced in the first month of the 1914-18 war. The arrows in the 1940 map show the direction taken by the Nazi armoured divisions which, employing the Banse modification of the Schlieffen plan, were able to crush France.

In the two maps you see how the Schlieffen Plan, which was the basis of the German invasion of Belgium and France in 1914, has been adapted for the Nazi invasion of the Netherlands, Belgium and France in 1940.

The German 1940 plan was a repetition of 1914 but on the opposite flank aimed at drawing Allied forces into Belgium, weakening the



French centre and then cutting through and sweeping in behind the Allies. And once again the centre thrust developed and reached a major crisis round Le Cateau. In 1914 Von Kluck, the German general commanding the right-wing army, wheeled inwards at this point, thinking that the French and British were already defeated. In this abandonment of the Schlieffen Plan the Germans lost their main chance of a quick victory.

It is worth remembering, too, that in 1914 the Germans advanced so rapidly that they outran their timetable and supplies were unable to keep pace with the advance. Mechanisation aided them in 1940.

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"Now repeat after me, 'So ya won't talk, eh?' ... 'All right, break it up!' ... and, 'Where's the fir?' ... 'All

An Air Raid Can Be So Impersonal

WAR is a strange adventure—more terrifying to read about than to experience. You read of bombing raids; of roads being sprayed with machine-gun bullets, and you form, maybe, a nightmare picture of death striking from the skies, of wholesale devastation from which there is no escape.

But just as the nightmare ends with awakening, so can you pass through the blizzard of a barrage, a hail-storm of machine-gun and rifle fire, unscathed, and—strangely—unshaken.

Not every bomb or shell has your "number" on it, as the soldiers say; not every bullet finds a billet.

One need not minimise the horror of modern war, but it may be some consolation to relatives of soldiers now in the firing line to realise that injury or death is not an hourly menace.

Those photographs you see of smiling, singing soldiers on their way to the front line are not posed. The soldier smiles and sings on his way to what may come, because it is his nature to do so; because discipline and comradeship produce a common courage. The fear of showing cowardice is greater than the fear of the unknown.

The baptism of fire is a nasty thing; the first shell that comes

shrieking out of nowhere, the burst and the splatter of debris: The first bomb, with its terrifying whistle through the air; the first time under machine-gun fire when the bullets drone past like invisible bees and you see little spurts of earth spring up at your feet.

You are alive unhurt, you were slightly sick, but you did not panic.

I, like many another, have been bombed, shelled, machine-gunned, gassed; have gone over the top and walked through an enemy barrage; have crouched against the parapet while the area was "plastered," or when "whizz-bangs," egg-bombs or "coot-boxes" whistled and streaked through the night, and I have survived.

The soldier learns to recognise by its note where a shell will fall, where a bomb will burst. If he is not there, well and good. He adopts a philosophy of "Don't care," and translates it into characteristic British humour, "Where did that one go to?"

He invents familiar names for the worst of the enemy's artillery. In the last war he amused himself in the stillness of the night when there was "nothing doing," by playing "om-tiddle-om-pom" with the enemy machine-guns.

"Om-tiddle-om-pom," a German machine-gun would stutter. A moment's silence, then a British gun would reply "pom-pom."

So, when you read of "violent" or "intense" fighting in the war, think of the millions of combatants in the last war, the millions who survived.

NEIL MACINTYRE

SPAIN WILL KEEP OUT

LISBON.

ON the winding banks of the lovely River Tagus at Lisbon thousands of workmen toiled feverishly day and night. They are not building fortresses, nor even air raid shelters, despite the Mediterranean tension in these days.

They were completing, in time for the official opening, the Imperial Exhibition to celebrate the fact that this year it is exactly eight centuries since King Alfonso Henriques cut adrift from Spain and made Portugal a free and independent nation.

It is not bravado or blindness to danger which causes neutral Portugal publicly and elaborately to celebrate eight hundred years—except for a few decades when she was temporarily under Spanish suzerainty—of complete liberty and independence at a time when all over Europe small neutrals are being eliminated.

It is just that Portugal firmly believes that Spain will not invade Portugal, even if she joins in the war, an eventually regarded here as extremely improbable.

Austere Oliveira Salazar, who is his own Foreign Minister, is the least spectacular and the most efficient dictator in Europe. Nothing going on in Portugal escapes him, and very little of what goes on outside misses his notice.

Mobile Units

It is true that General Franco has a well-trained, experienced army. When the civil war ended he had probably in the neighbourhood of 800 bombers and chasers in good condition. We do not know what happened to the German and Italian, mainly Italian, crews and ground staffs who helped to fly these planes.

Some may still be there. Then there were at least 600 motor-hauled light and heavy modern German and Italian guns and many hundreds of armoured cars and light flat and heavy Mercedes tanks.

And the tough Foreign Legion is still there, as a spearhead against any blitz-coups, with at least half a million soldiers to back it up. From the point of view of men and initial army materials, Franco could certainly strike in any direction.

The navy is small but useful and has been overhauled under German guidance after being returned by the French after the Republicans had surrendered.

But Franco would be immediately blockaded by England.

Wheat Scarce

He would have no possible means of getting further munitions or petrol. Franco's brother-in-law, General Serrano, Home Minister and political leader, told a Valencia audience frankly that Spain was having to face, and remedy, a deficit of no less than one million tons of wheat in order to bridge the period from the last harvest to the next.

Then there is the internal situation in Spain. Serrano spoke briefly about this too. Very briefly, what is happening is a big tug-of-war within the Francoist ranks.

He followed by probably listening closely to the advice of Germany's Madrid Ambassador, von Stohrer, which probably coincides closely enough with their own opinions.

for Serrano was originally a Christian Social leader under Gil Robles.

Left Wing Now

High-pressure Nazi and Italian propaganda tells the Francoist it must be radical. It must appeal for popular support.

That, in Spain, means inevitably going a long way Left. But the Carlists, Catholics and Monarchists hold up their hands in horror. They say, "We sacrificed everything to save Spain from Communism, and now we are asked to install almost the same thing under another label."

General Francisco Franco, in the seclusion of his new home in El Pardo, Palace, eight miles from Madrid, says nothing. It is not clear how he will bridge the gulf, for both sides think it is a life or death issue.

There are other things he must take into account. A quarter of a million people are estimated to be in prisons and labour camps—not a very happy aspect of a united nation.

Public opinion in Spain might not welcome a war against the Allies—despite all the efforts of the 200 propagandists reputedly employed by the German Embassy in Madrid and the nation-wide activities of Thomson, Nazi chief for Spain.

It seems, in fact, very unlikely altogether that Spain will stick her neck in order to receive swift blows.

Italy's Bargain

Portugal sees as a tranquillising factor in the general situation the visit of the Duce's son, Bruno Mussolini, who is paying a three-day visit to negotiate final permission for Italy to use the Sal Island of the Cape Verde Islands for the Italy-Brazil flying services, which it is hoped will function soon. Bruno is discussing the matter with the Colonial Minister, Machado.

New Indo-China Governor

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, June 28 (Domei).—It is understood that the French Ambassador, M. Henry, has assured Japan that the appointment of Vice Admiral Decoux, the French Commander-in-Chief in the Far East, as Governor General of French Indo-China will not affect the decisions already reached by France and Japan regarding Indo-China.

The Ambassador has confirmed the recall to France of General Catroux, the Indo-China Governor General, and his replacement by Vice-Admiral Decoux.

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ITALIANS USE TANKS

First Encounter On Somaliland Border

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).

The first report of the Italian use of tanks in the present battle around Abyssinia is contained in a report from British Headquarters.

A strong detachment of Italians, with tanks in support, was held up by small garrison on the border of British Somaliland. A British officer and a handful of African troops.

Withdraw Without Loss

They held the enemy up for four hours and then withdrew without loss.

Further south on the Italian Somaliland-Kenya border, British ground patrols penetrated 20 miles into Italian territory without meeting any opposition.

The Nairobi authorities continue to receive reports from Abyssinia and Italian Somaliland that the Africans pressed into military service are deserting to our side.

Djibuti To Fight On

Aden, June 27 (Reuter).—The authorities at Djibuti intend to fight on, according to a reliable report received here.

The Governor, M. Deschamps, is being strongly supported in his stand by General Legentil Homme, Commander of the French Troops, who said he was "confident of his ability to cope with any situation."

Kiddies Off To Canada

First 3,000 Due In Middle Of July

OTTAWA, June 27 (Reuter).

Mr. T. A. Crerar, Minister of Mines, has informed the House of Commons that the first 3,000 British children being sent to Canada for the duration of the war will arrive in mid-July.

Additional groups will arrive at five-day intervals until July 25.

Mr. Crerar said the British Government had been unable, up to now, to estimate the total number coming to Canada, but he felt that it would reach "very large dimensions."

Earlier today, Mr. Crerar conferred with provincial ministers to consider plans "for a greatly expanded movement should it become necessary."

Ready For Any Number

Mr. Crerar said Canada was prepared to receive any number of British children.

The initial number the Dominion had agreed to take was 10,000, but the number was not limited in any way.

He added that the Canadian Government was urging, through the Dominion High Commissioner in London, that Britain should release funds for refugees who could not support themselves in Canada.

A Dominion-wide organisation was established to supervise the distribution of children which will be carried out by provincial welfare bureaux.

FOREIGN SHIPS MAY BE SEIZED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 27 (UP).—President Roosevelt to-day issued a proclamation empowering United States Customs collectors to seize foreign or domestic vessels in United States ports or the Canal Zone.

Unofficially it is believed that this may apply to the French liner Normandy.

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12.40 The New Mayfair Orchestra.

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Morning; Come Ladies and Lads; Spring's Awakening; Now the day is over; Venetian Nights, Intro: Barcarolle in G Minor (Mendelssohn); Barcarolle (Tales of Hoffmann); Offenbach; Carnival of Venice (Benedict); Milestones of Love (Benedit); Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Dance Music.

1.30 Renter and Rugby Press.

Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Mozart—Symphony in D Major (The "Prague").

Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Erich Kleiber.

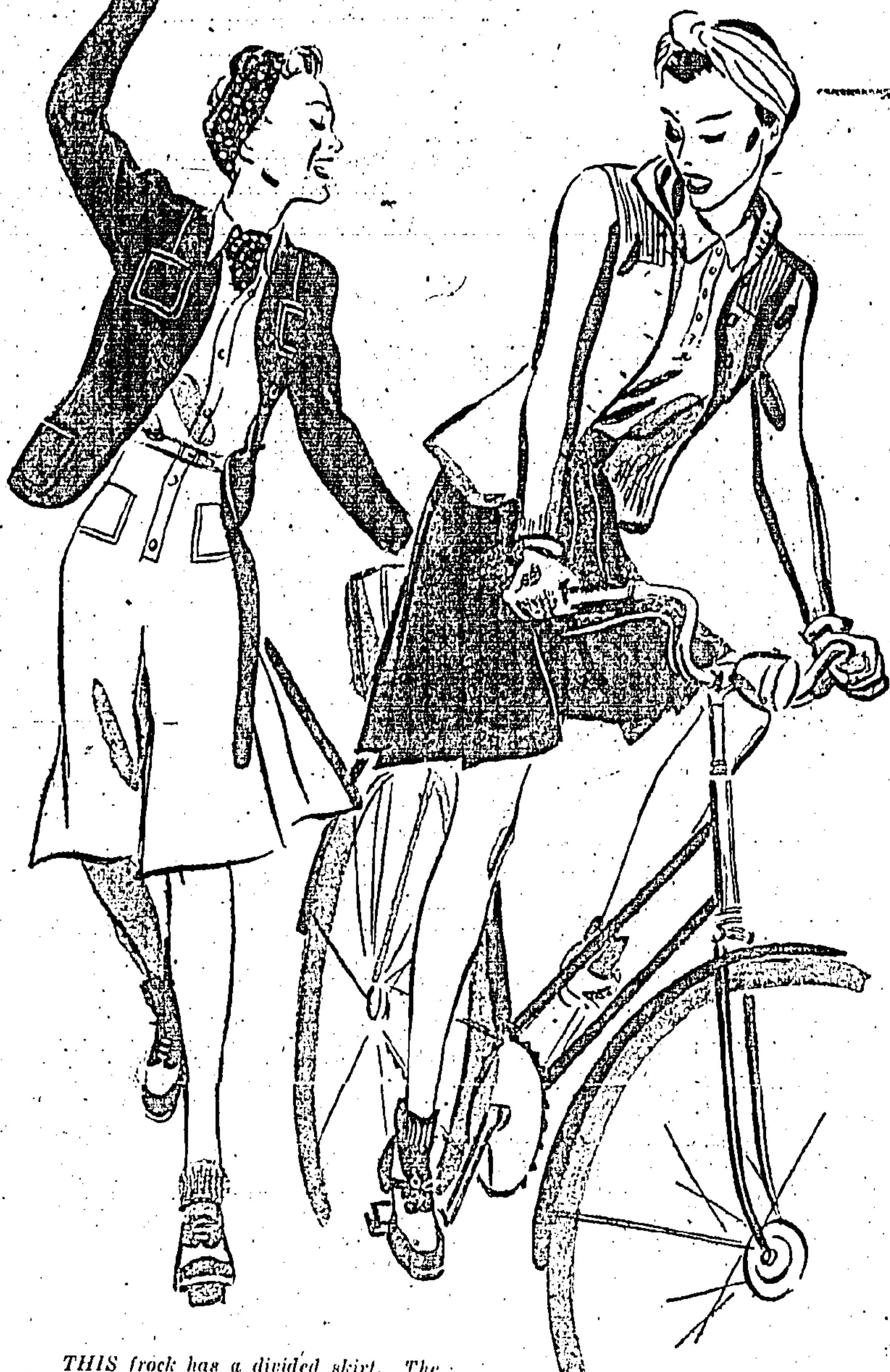
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6.00 A Programme of Dance Music.

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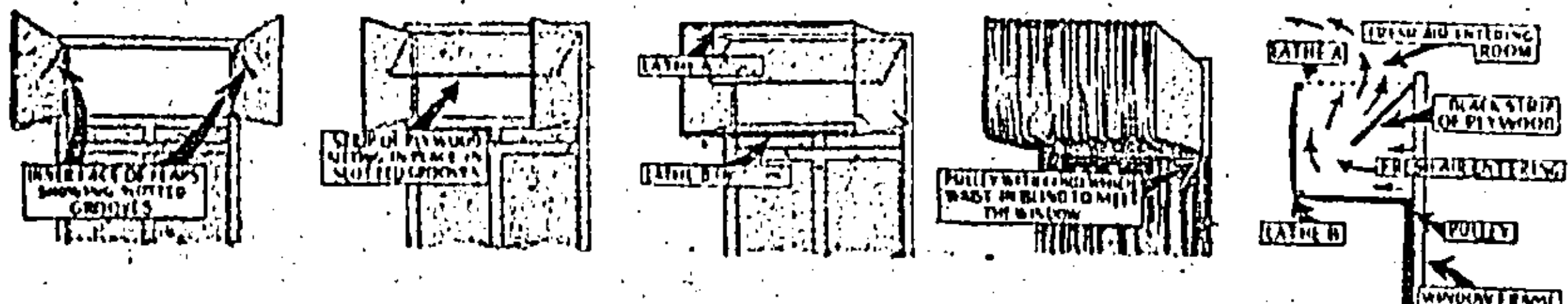
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THIS frock has a decided skirt. The colour is that clear, pale blue that is every woman's best friend. It is so well cut you don't see the skirt is divided until, maybe, you have to leap a ditch. The shirt collar can be worn open, or you can tuck a scarf in the neck. The scarf is double, with deep pleats, and it is practically im- one half polka dotted scarlet, the other half spotted navy blue. The skirt comes just come zins, above the knee. Wear a scarlet turban, pale blue socks, and red and white canvas shoes.

THIS is something really new in the way of shorts. These are cut so that they look like a schoolgirl's pleated gym skirt. The front and back seams are covered with deep pleats, and it is practically impossible to tell they are shorts at all. They come just come zins, above the knee. Tucked in is a string-coloured shirt of blue socks, and red and white canvas shoes.

How to Make a Black-out Ventilator



BLACK-OUT conditions spell stuffy interiors far too often for healthy living. An ordinary human being uses up on an average about 32 gallons of fresh air per minute. Thus there must be a constant re-change of air in room, office or workshop, etc.

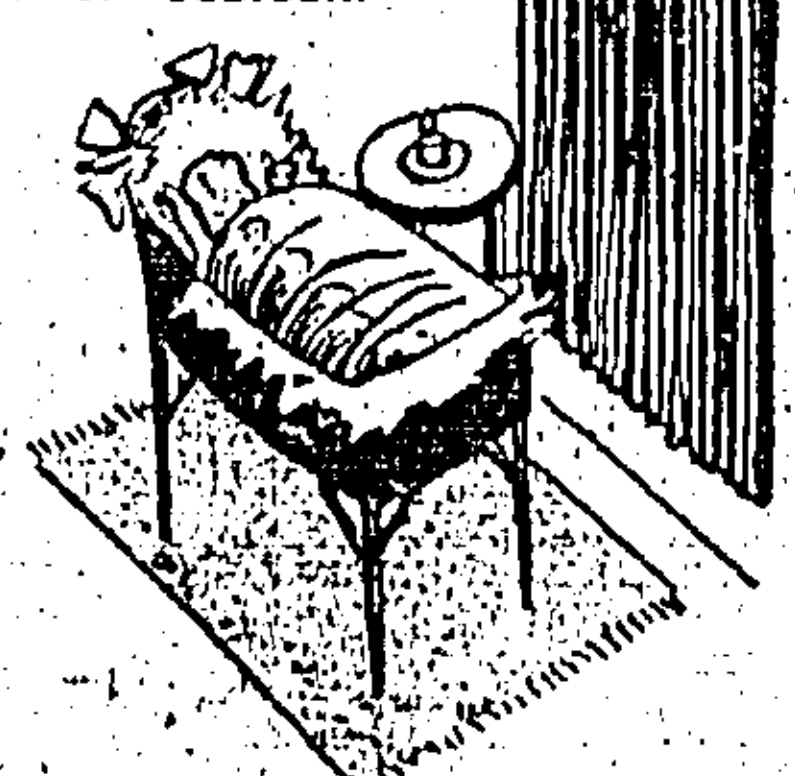
Living and sleeping in stale air bring many penalties. Powers of concentration are weakened; headache and dizziness may appear; anaemia develops; appetites grow poor and flimsy; and the body's natural resistance to disease is greatly lowered. It is obvious then that forms of ventilation which permit a constant inflow of fresh air while completely excluding light are war defences of high value.

Here is a simple and economical method of providing fresh air in the black-out home.

It is a ventilating light-trap that could be fashioned by any handy person, or fitted at small cost by a carpenter.

The diagrams show how. The materials required are: 1.—Two rectangular pieces of fairly strong whitewood or plywood. (The size required will depend on the size of the window, and how much open window is desired.)

First four diagrams illustrate method of making: fifth shows how air enters; result, a well-ventilated nursery or bedroom.



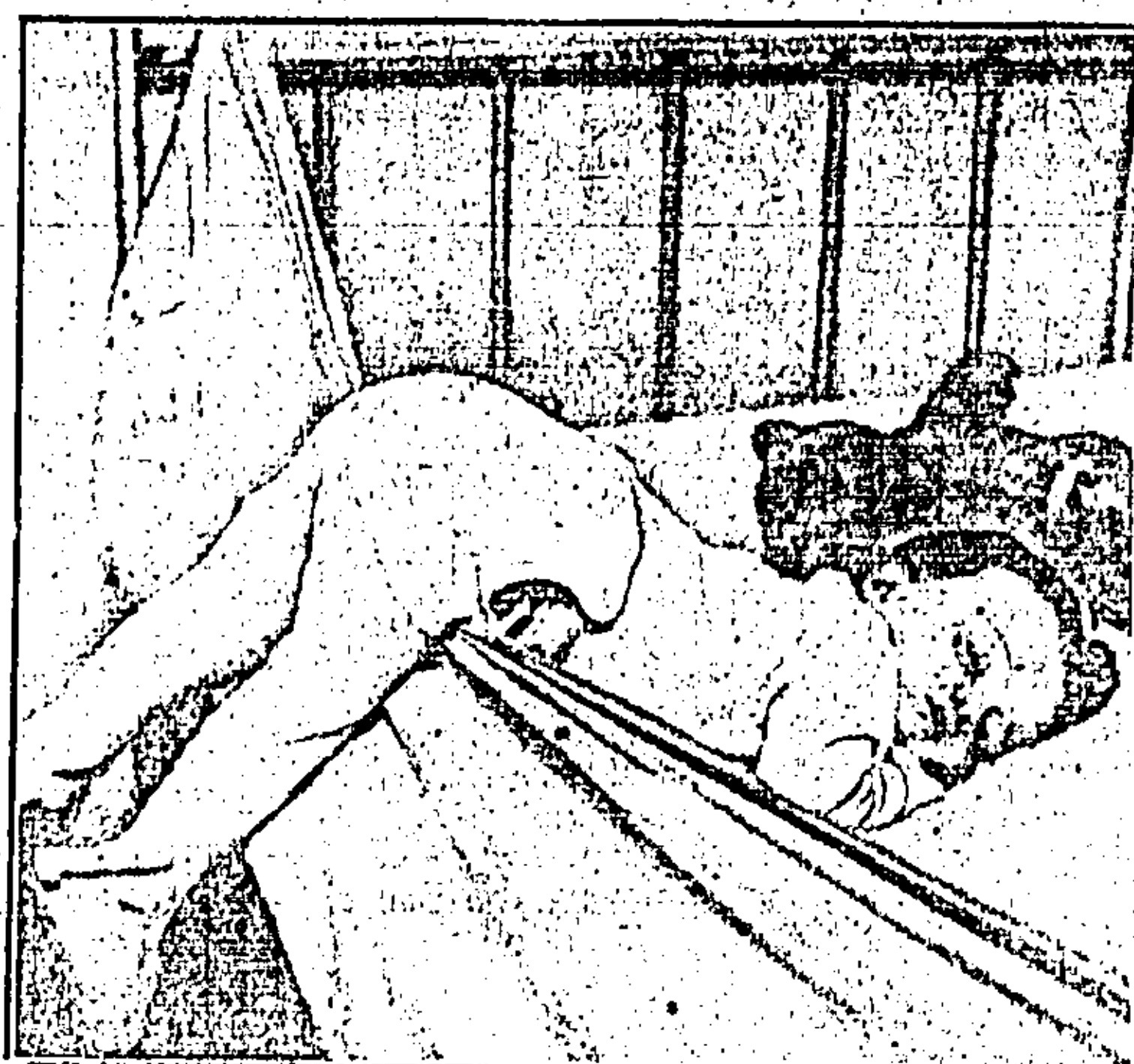
These pieces should be slotted diagonally from one corner to the centre, on one face only. 2.—Several small hinges. (The rectangular pieces are hinged to the sashes of the window on either side at extreme top—their free ends point into the room like the doors of an open cupboard. 3.—Strip of plywood, the length of which must be the exact distance between the flap-pieces mentioned

above. The depth of the strip is that of the slotted groove in the flap pieces described above. (This strip of plywood will fit into these slotted grooves later.)

4.—Two laths a shade longer than the total width between the flaps. One lath secures the top outer corners, while the other secures the bottom outer corners of the flaps together. (These laths hold the flaps firmly in place so that the strip of plywood cannot fall out of the slotted grooves.)

5.—"Black-out" blind or curtain. This blind or curtain is fixed along the upper lath. So that it may lie against the window below the ventilating trap, it is "waisted" to meet the window directly below the flaps by means of a cord on pulleys. The blind or curtain should be long enough to reach a little below the end of the window when all is prepared for action. If you want to use your existing curtains buy sufficient new materials (matching if possible) for the top portion. The inner faces of the flaps, the plywood strip, and the laths are painted a matt black.

The principle is that the air enters through the open top of the window. It passes around the strip of plywood, and enters the room by the free entry at the top of the trap. The illumination in the room may be as counteracted this by putting a little stringent lotion around the eyes, in the morning, after the over-night creaming.



Don't Fuss About His Weight . . .

THE TEXT-BOOKS tell us that a baby boy immediately after birth should be 20.6 inches long and 7lb. 10oz. in weight, while a girl is very slightly shorter and weighs 7oz. less. Boys grow more quickly than girls in the first year, and at three months the average male infant should be 13 lb. and the female 11lb. 14oz.

So it goes on, this incessant register of figures, weights and measures.

Now there is undoubtedly some usefulness in a knowledge of the average standards, but let all mothers (and fathers, too, sometimes) be on their guard against making weight-testing a fetish.

I have seen wild women clutching their offspring, and with staring eyes declare that the baby has actually lost half an ounce this week!

They are ready for anything to happen to the baby after that.

Or it may be that a group of young mothers, sitting in a doctor's waiting-room, will start comparing weights and land themselves into a dog-fight

over these precious pounds of flesh. The factors never to be lost sight of are that each child is an individual and has his or her own standards. Provided a boy is not losing steadily a few ounces a week, there is nothing to worry about.

The average gain in ounces per week for boys and girls in the first year is 3½-4½, but it may be less. In the second year 2½-3oz. is satisfactory, and in the third 1½-2oz.

As the child grows the weekly increase diminishes. Seasons, teething illness and fussy parents may cause variations in the weekly weighings. The weight must therefore be interpreted intelligently and above all, any slight loss must not be made the signal for a rush to overfeeding and constant stimulation, so that the nursery assumes the characteristics of the turkey farm before Christmas.

FOR THE HAIR SWEET & SWIFT

WHERE coiffures are suffering from tightly fitting hats, neglect or change in the weather, oil well brushed in gives an immediate gloss which spells health and care.

A little oil, however, goes a very long way. You should put some in the palm of your hand, and rub your palm over the brush, then brush your hair. That is all the oil your hair needs. Sticky hair will only get dirty quickly.

By the way, it is good news that there are now brillianlines which blondes can use freely, because they will not darken the hair.

RECIPES for quick savouries are numerous, but a sweet which is both economical and quickly prepared is more difficult to come by.

So you may like to know of a most appetising way of serving up stale bread, which is, incidentally, especially popular with children. The bread is cut in slices soaked in milk flavoured with almond, vanilla or any other ingredient the family fancies.

Then fry in cooking fat until the slices are browned, and served on warmed plates, topped with jam, syrup, or lemon and sugar.

Your Feet

WHEN your feet get tired by too much standing, it is helpful to strengthen the muscles by exercises.

Two simple ones which are beneficial if they are done every day are these:

Put some marbles on the floor and try to pick them up with your toes. And then, put a rolling pin on the floor and stand one foot on it, rolling it about under the foot and trying to grip it with the toes. You will probably have to hold on to the mantelpiece for this one, in order to keep your balance.

Be Careful Here

CARE should be taken however, not to put the cream so near the eyes that it can see inside them during the night as here again is a cause of a certain amount of eye discomfort, and even puffiness.

Also, as most wrinkle creams and skin foods are inclined to be a trifle relaxing, it is often necessary to counteract this by putting a little stringent lotion around the eyes, in the morning, after the over-night creaming.

For Your Eyes

EYES tell tales. If they are tired, they will say so.

A daily eye-bath is good, but bathing the eyes twice a day is even more likely to give you, in the shortest space of time, that clear blue tint which the whites should have.

Whatever the lotion you choose, your own mixture, or one already prepared, an eye-bath should be used that allows the head to be held forward instead of backward. It is simpler this way, and the minute particles of dust cannot then be washed back into the eyes.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA

Delegates in Berlin For Border Conference

Berlin, June 27. The Official News Agency states that the head of the western division of the Soviet Russian Foreign Commissariat, M. Alexandrov, accompanied by Col. Leonoff, arrived today to participate in the German-Russian frontier negotiations.

Considerable speculation has been caused in diplomatic and Press circles by the announcement.

Some circles understand the negotiations will have an effect on Germany's diplomatic and military relations, especially in connection with the reported forthcoming offensive on England—Dome.

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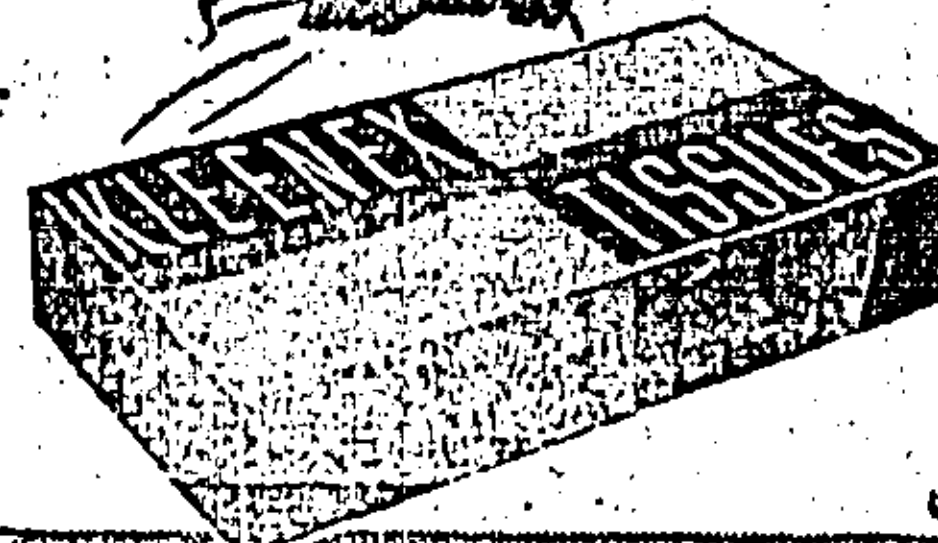
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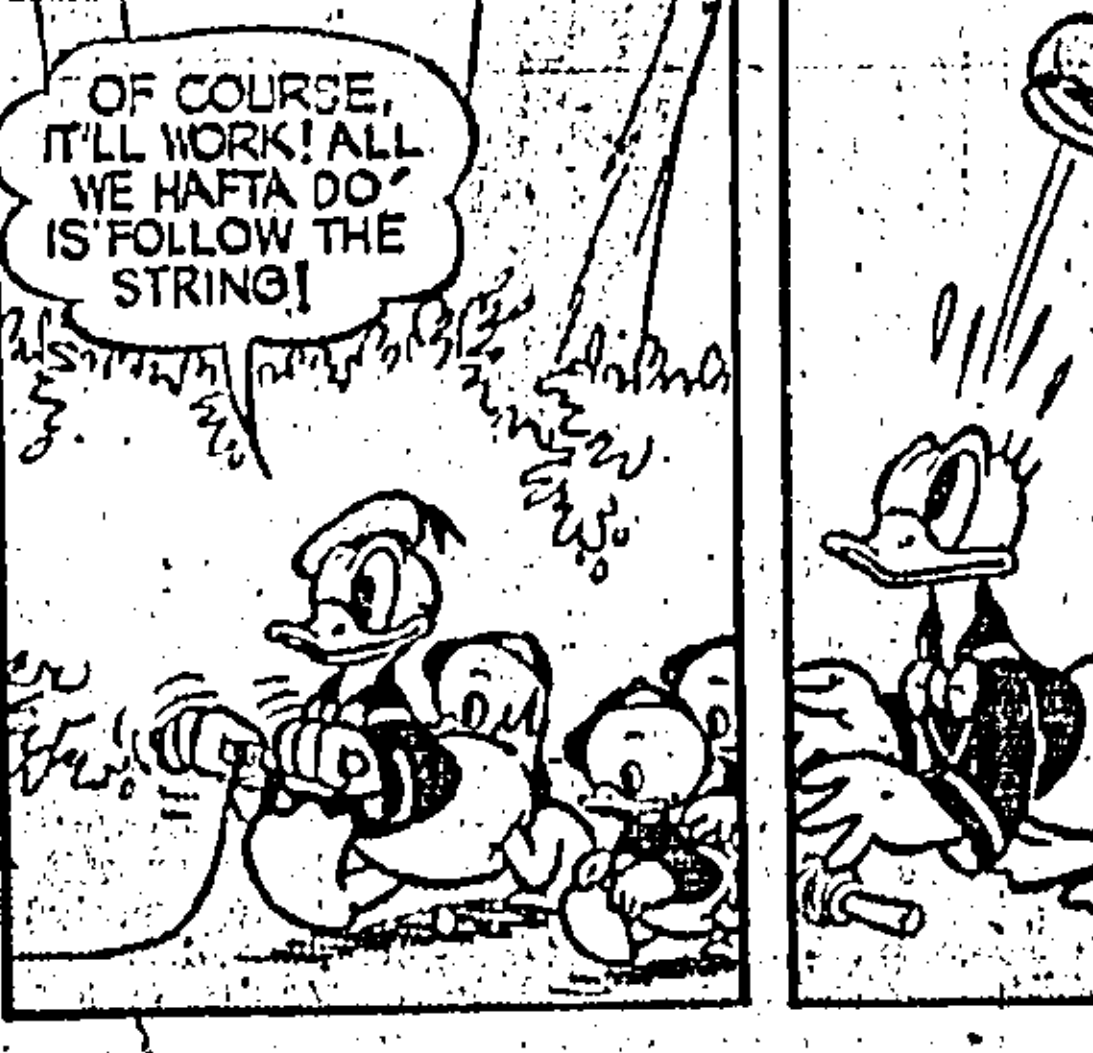
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Company's Optimism For 1940

Although the year 1939 was an exceptionally lean one for the Hongkong Mines, Limited, it was announced by Mr. Chas. C. Stark, at the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders this morning, that the outlook of the mine was much brighter now.

The meeting, which was held in the Company's offices in the Gloucester Building, was presided over by Mr. Stark, the Managing Director.

Chairman's Report
Mr. Stark then read the Chairman's report which was as follows:
"Before formally proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I will give you a resume of the activities of the Company."

"The year under review was an exceptionally lean one due to the persistently low price of Lead coupled with the increased cost of materials due to war conditions and exchange. Operations were also somewhat hampered by recurrent political trouble on the border but continuous operations was nevertheless maintained."

"You will note that we have again written off a very large amount in depreciation—i.e. over half a million dollars. This is based on reserves at the end of the year. These reserves were exceptionally low due to the fact that we did not consider it advisable to go in for extensive development with the existing lead prices of lead. As you will note, however, from Nelson & Company's report new additional ore bodies have been found during the normal working and these are turning out very well indeed."

New Smelter
"Our present stock of Lead Concentrate amounts to approximately 7,000 tons—five thousand tons of which has been sold to the British Government."

"The Smelter at the Mine is now practically complete and we hope to be pouring lead within the next few days. We do not anticipate any difficulty in disposing of our entire smelter output locally at a remunerative price."

"We are now negotiating with a Chinese concern with a view to a tract with used, propylene gas, which they will extract Sulfuric Acid. We will secure a royalty on the gross output and they will provide all the necessary finance."

"As existing conditions should tend to increase price very materially the outlook is very much brighter."

Mr. Stark then read the Auditor's Report and proposed the adoption of the Report and Accounts.
This was seconded by Mr. L. J. Cooke and carried unanimously.

Other Business
The re-election of Messrs. Geo. T. Scholey and David Wai Kwok Au as Directors was proposed by Mr. L. J. Cooke, seconded by Mr. F. L. Lam and carried unanimously.

On the proposal of Mr. F. L. Lam, seconded by Mr. L. D. Purves, Messrs. T. A. Martin and Company were re-elected as Auditors.
These present at the meeting included Messrs. Chas. C. Stark (in the Chair), L. J. Cooke (representing Messrs. Nelson and Company, Inc.), F. L. Lam, L. D. Purves, T. A. Martin and H. V. Eldridge (General Superintendent of the Hongkong Mines).

N. ZEALAND'S DETERMINATION

WELLINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—As Britain's task becomes harder and her peril greater, we in New Zealand are increasingly strengthened in our determination to stand by her and give all the aid in our power," said the Prime Minister, Mr. Peter Fraser, in a statement in the House of Representatives on the war situation.

British peoples, he continued, had no illusions regarding the dangers and difficulties ahead, but were fully determined to carry on and prove that their resolute temper and spirit of independence were sufficient to withstand and overcome the fiercest attacks.

Anti-War Feeling Evident In Germany

HITLER'S PROBLEM IS APATHY OF HIS OWN PEOPLE

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—The Stockholm newspapers publish to-day an article by a special correspondent "on a victory which lacked enthusiasm."

The article begins by stating that Germany has won one of history's most rapid and most complete victories.

One would think this victory would arouse the German people, depressed after a hard winter and living on "ersatz" food, to a rapturous enthusiasm.

But this was not the case—all one heard was a small sign of relief.

Rome Apathetic
The writer was in Rome when Italy declared war.

There was no sign of enthusiasm. When the Germans entered Paris, the writer was in Berlin and the "rejoicing" described in Swedish papers was, in fact, inaudible.

The German people read the news but made no comment and did not display any joy.

The same thing applied when Marshal Petain announced the French surrender.

What was the reason for this remarkable reaction in the face of an event which was perhaps decisive for the future of Germany?

People Are Tired
"I should think," writes the correspondent, "that the German people are just now very tired after a difficult winter."

"They are tired after living on short commons and with many privations. They are tired after the tremendous trumpeting of official propaganda."

In the last war, the German home front collapsed so in this war the home front has perhaps been accorded too much attention and propaganda is tiring the people.

Propaganda Overcome
From early morning till late at night, the German radio roars in houses, on squares, in villages, forests and mountains.

War reports, analyses and commentaries are all coloured with anti-Allied propaganda, spitting forth invective against the Allies.

The most powerful of all is the film—made by a propaganda unit working in the firing line. These films are astonishing but overwhelming.

Every detail of raging warfare is presented—prisoners wounded and dead, ruins, explosions etc. They are all accompanied by a flaming Nazi propaganda monologue.

The result is too strong for the public who become numb and apathetic.

At the end of the film there is no applause, no cheering—the public is silent.

No one cares to rejoice over a victory after seeing such pictures.

Growing Immune
It appears that the German people are growing immune to the propaganda which is poured on them day after day. It tires rather than exhilarates them.

France is defeated and England remains. France was never hated but the English are hated. Various methods of attack on England are being discussed—landing with rapid small boats after aircraft have bombed fortifications and a secret "freezing" method (used against the Albert Canal and the Maginot Line) has put the coastal batteries and bridge pieces out of action; blockade from the air by destroying important harbours; the mass landing of troops by parachutes and troops by planes.

But the fact remains that the German people are not enthusiastic over the war.

They Want Peace
They wish to return to their normal life to work and raise their living standard.

They wish to cease seeing long Red Cross trains which are moving hospitals at night; they wish to cease seeing obituary notices in the papers showing that the ranks of youth are being thinned.

Meanwhile how can a nation that has concentrated on war for six years return to a peaceful life? How can a great military camp become a peaceful community?

Even if Germany attains a dominant place in Europe there are still many problems left for her to solve. And the war is not yet over. It should be borne in mind that "England loses every battle except the last."

TRAINING SCHEME

Big Success Claimed By Mr. Bevin

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—The present position of the Government Training Scheme was described by Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, he took his seat in the House of Commons this afternoon for the first time.

The number of civilians at the Government training centres is now 10,700, he revealed, and this is a record, being nearly 1,000 more than a week ago and 2,000 more than a fortnight ago.

Thousands Still Needed
In the last four weeks, over 6,000 men had been sent to the training centres. This is also a record, but many thousands more are needed.

Those awaiting entry will be speedily absorbed and a continuous flow is needed to keep the centres at full strength and to fill the new places being provided.

Plane Down In Desert

Italian Crew Taken Prisoner

ADEN, June 27 (Reuter).—An Italian bomber was forced down into the desert 150 miles from Aden some days ago.

The bomber is now on view in Aden.

When it came down, its crew of five were taken prisoner. The British pilot who took them prisoner flew the plane back to Aden.

His feat in taking off from a strange rocky valley drew admiration from the Italian airmen.

Smart Militiamen
A second Italian bomber which was forced down in French Somaliland was captured by two solitary Somali militiamen.

In spite of intense fire from the plane's machine-guns they crept towards it and forced the three surviving members of the crew to surrender.

While one Somali stood guard over the plane the other marched his prisoners back to the nearest post.

BIG VOTE FOR U.S. ARMY & NAVY

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt to-day signed the Supplementary Defence Bill giving the United States War and Navy Departments \$1,480,000,000 in cash appropriations and authority to make additional contracts totalling \$280,000,000.

This is in addition to the regular \$200,000,000 appropriations which Congress voted for the Army and Navy for the coming fiscal year.

The Supplementary Bill will enable the Navy to begin the construction of 22 new warships and to speed the construction of over 100.

It will enable the Army to build thousands of new aeroplanes.

Whereabouts Of U.S. Fleet Unknown

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—Unconfirmed reports persist in informed quarters that part of the United States Fleet from Hawaii is at present heading for the West Coast of South America.

This is coupled with another report of unexplained Japanese manoeuvres in the Pacific near South America.

Nazi Troops On Spanish Border

MADRID, June 27 (Reuter).—German troops have arrived on the Franco-Spanish border at Hendaye.

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U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.00 1/2

Freezing Out Foreign Trade

Drastic Move By North China Government

PEIPING, June 28 (Reuter).—A move which is likely to lead to a serious deterioration in foreign trade with North China is announced by the Japanese-sponsored Government at Peiping.

The Director-General of Finance has instructed the Maritime Customs at Tientsin, Chefoo and Tsingtao that the foreign exchange control hitherto applied to exports must be extended to all imports except those from Japan and Manchukuo.

Probable Effects
This has the effect of placing foreign trade in North China on the same basis as that in the "yen bloc" countries.

One object of the move is apparently the severance of the present relationship between the Chinese national dollar and the currency of the Federal Reserve Bank of North China.

The latter tends to follow the fluctuation of the former.

Children For Dominions

Parents Rushing To Support Scheme

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Parents are applying at the rate of 7,000 to 8,000 a day to have their children sent to the Dominions for the duration of the war.

The basic idea is to help in the conversion of Great Britain into an island fortress by removing as many non-combatants as possible.

Not Refugees
The children will not be going as refugees.

One difficulty is the question of shipping space and any plans will necessarily depend on this. They cannot be taken in cargo ships and the space in suitable ships is limited.

It is expected that the number which can be taken away will not be higher than 8,000 a month.

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—The Sultan of Chosne to-day handed over to the Colonial Secretary a cheque for £250,000 as his gift to the British Government for the prosecution of the war.



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Federation: Nazi Model

The amazing drive of German mechanised forces has made a whole world wonder about its to-morrow. According to Nazi spokesmen, Europe will be a happier place when Germany can reorganise it. Concurrently Berlin has taken up the idea of federation, already so popular among the Allied peoples. Does this foreshadow that "happier place"? Possibly small nations with only fragmentary experience in democracy may be misled by Berlin's interest in their future; others will not be. No American, for example, could conceive of a federal union of the United States with one of the States acting as overlord of all the rest.

But the anomaly does not end here. It requires at least one more monstrosity to complete it: the notion that the leading State in such a union can be an autocracy and yet act as protector of democracy. For federation, as Americans, the British peoples, or the successful Swiss understand it, is synonymous with democracy.

Federation in the language of the Nazis might mean the giving of limited rights of local self-government to communities which did not oppose the Nazi interpretation of Europe's needs. To realise what this interpretation is, one need only consider Hitler's "land policy" as outlined in "Mein Kampf." The cardinal rule of this policy aims at a more or less constant ratio between the German population and the amount of land that Germans actually occupy.

The implications of such a rule hardly fit a pattern of true federation. The Third Reich's leaders have shown that they intend its population to increase steadily. This means that the amount of land that Germany needs must also increase steadily if Hitler's land policy is to be kept intact. Where, then, would States' rights fit in a multi-racial federation under Third Reich tutelage?

Obviously talk of federation under Nazi leadership is meaningless in the language of peoples now enjoying federation. As Thomas Mann has written of the Third Reich, "Force without and peace without—this is an impossible conjunction." It must also be said of federation as discussed in Berlin: Autocracy within and democracy without—this is an impossible supposition.

DO WE KNOW THE FRENCH?

"Of course, the French are so excitable!" How often do we hear this remark! Made, too, in tones of the greatest conviction, so that one never bothers to inquire on what grounds the speaker bases the observation.

French excitability is for most of us an established fact, which we never bother to verify, and which is bolstered up by the popular stage presentation of French people, all shrubs, gesticulations, and chatter. And that presentation is as untrue as the French belief that London is eternally shrouded in fog, Scotland snow-bound for six months of the year, and the British diet an unvaried cycle of boiled cabbage, roast beef, and suet pudding.

I remember Paris when Hitler occupied the Rhineland, when the French felt they were on the brink of invasion. There was none of the shrill agitation one might have expected, only quiet groups of people in the streets, talking earnestly and two or three conversing quietly round a café table.

Or again, I saw Paris during the strikes in the summer of 1936. There were no chattering mobs, only good-humoured crowds gathered round the big shops watching for glimpses of strikers, much as a crowd at the zoo watches for the appearance of some rare and retiring animal.

It is true that when the French speak they gesticulate and talk quickly, and to us it looks as if they were excited, because we usually gesticulate when speaking only if we are excited.

But the legend of the excitable Frenchman will die hard, as hard as the legend of the wicked Frenchman. There is a widespread conviction that the French are a "naughty" race. Paris is the wicked city. But Paris is no more wicked than London, New York, or Berlin; and what "wickedness" there is, is there largely for the entertainment of the foreign visitor.

Besides, Paris is no more representative of France than London is of Britain, and in Fontainebleau, about 40 miles from Paris, the hotels close at 10 p.m., and there is not a soul to be seen in the streets after that hour.

But if we dispose of the legend of the excitable and wicked Frenchman, whose diet is popularly supposed to consist chiefly of snails and frogs (which I never saw any French person eating during an eight months stay in France, though I did see snails for sale) varied by an occasional dish of horse-flesh (which is sometimes given to invalids in France as a strengthening diet), can we put any truer picture in its place?

Well, in some respects the French and the Scots have similar characteristics. Both are a thrifty race, without being mean. All Frenchwomen love a bargain, and take pride in making every centime pull its weight. They are a hard-working race. French people begin the day much earlier than we do (they think the British are a lazy race, though those who know enough to do so would probably make a distinction in this respect between English and Scots, in favour of the former), and

seven o'clock is a normal hour for breakfast. The schools begin at eight in the morning.

The French are fond of simple amusements. On Sundays they go in families to the parks and woods, and spend the day strolling in the sun, reading and sleeping in the shade, or paddling round the lake in a boat (all French parks have a pond or lake.) On public holidays they may go farther afield and spend the day fishing in some pond or stream—that is to say, papa fishes, while mama cooks over a picnic fire, and the children tumble around.

On week-days you will find the parks full of mothers and children, the mothers knitting and sewing (never idle-handed), the children making sand-piles with the sand of the paths. Sometimes a father appears and plays with them in an unselfconscious abandon which I have yet to see displayed by a father in our parks.

The French are above all a nation of families. In France the family tie is immensely strong. You can see this, for one thing, in their funeral notices. A funeral notice is not issued merely in the name of, say, the widow and the children, but also in the name of the children-in-law, sisters, brothers, uncles, aunts, and cousins of the deceased, all mentioned by name and with their relationship exactly specified.

The reason why parents in France exercise a greater control over the marriages of their children is because they regard a marriage not simply as a union between two individuals, but as a union of families.

They are, too, a very practical, logical people. Sometimes they sacrifice comfort to practicality as in their underground railway (the Métro). No one, they argue, would ever ride in the Métro for pleasure, but only to go from one place to another quickly. So the Métro trains are speedy, admirably organised, and uncomfortable.

French people like good food, smart clothes, beautiful buildings, easily-run homes. They enjoy life. They believe in letting everyone alone to enjoy life in his own way, and they expect to be left alone themselves. That's why they do not at first make so good an impression on the stranger as other races. They don't fling open their doors to you till they are sure you will be a congenial company; then they will treat you with infinite kindness and courtesy.

What more can be added? I have dwelt on the more everyday qualities of the French, but it must be remembered that they are probably the most artistic race in Europe, and that the love and appreciation of art in all its forms, but more especially of painting, is widely diffused throughout the population. On Sundays the Louvre is crowded with family parties who are enjoying the pictures.

The French are, too, an intensely patriotic people. We in Britain have nothing corresponding to the 14th of July, the day which commemorates the fall of the Bastille, and which, besides being a veritable festival of patriotism, expresses the French consciousness of that tradition of liberty of speech and of life which is their greatest contribution to European culture.

J. H. Caird

Lots of people have had their incomes reduced by the war.
ERIC MASCHWITZ
famous author of "Balalaika,"
found his income reduced—

From £200 to
£4 a week

—and this
is how he
took it—

SEVENTEEN Years ago

I was a waiter in a café in France (80s. a week), then a publisher's dogsbody (£2), an actor (£3), a budding novelist (£5), a hopeless no-good (£2 nil), a very junior B.B.C. official (£6—wealth), editor of the Radio Times (£20), variety director (£35), producer of "Balalaika" (£75), Hollywood screen writer of "Good-bye Mr. Chips" (£200) . . . and to-day a minor Government official (£4).

Half-way between the bad actor and the budding novelist—about the 1924 stage—that's where I am to-day. I won't pretend that it's the only money I am ever likely to have, because I made a whole heap (and spent it) and intend one day soon to make a whole heap more.

But because it happens to be all the ready cash that's coming in, and because I believe that this is a time at which to work hard for the country and not to throw money around on easy living, I firmly intend to live on my £4.

The grand thing is—I like it. I like queuing anxiously for the bathroom at 7.30, wolfing my breakfast and galloping for the tram that rattles me along to work. It is astonishing to find, at thirty-eight, that you can still have the fun you had at twenty-three. I am not allowed to smoke at work. That saves me thirty cigarettes a day—or 10s. 6d. a week.

It is, oddly enough, no hardship to do without a second drink at night in order to be able to save up for a week-end ticket to town in a fortnight's time.

FIVE HUNDRED men are working at the same job as I am—retired colonels, baronets, Russian princes, barristers, journalists, actors and clerks. All but about fifty of them get the same £4 a week, live in the same tram.

And they like it too. Three men have cars and live at the local Grand Hotel. They are looked down on as parasites.

You see we think we are doing a job that matters. And we are serving in the comradeship of the office, the canteen, and the billiards something precious that most of us had almost lost in the world of money, snobbery and pretence.

Almost all of us have tried to get into the Army and been firmly but kindly turned down for the moment. But this isn't such a bad substitute till the time comes along.

We talk a great deal out of office hours, after supper or over the odd beer. We don't talk about our work, but about the times we live in and the times that lie ahead.

NOT one of us, I believe, thinks in his heart of hearts that however the war may go the old world will come back again. Many of us quite frankly don't want it to. And somehow that £4 pay envelope, on Saturdays, seems to be the best preparation for the new world that we've got to make for ourselves and our brothers after war.

I should add this postscript though—£4 a week or no £4 a week, I get back to that little table and that fourpenny fire by halfpast seven and sit until midnight scribbling at the new play that I hope one day will be as much fun to produce as some of the others.

P.S. As we used to say in the last war—"Dear mother, I am sending you a pound—but not this week!"

JAMES AGATE picked this out

Weep no more, woful Shepherds weep no more,
For Lycidas your sorrow is not dead,
Sunk though he be beneath the wat'ry floor.
So sinks the day-star in the Ocean bed,
And yet anon repairs his drooping head,
And tricks his beams; and with new splendour Ore,
Flames in the forehead of the morning sky:
So Lycidas sunk low, but mounted high,
Through the dear might of Him that walk'd the waves,
Where other groves, and other streams along,
With Nectar pure his oozy Locks he laves,
And hears the unrepentant nuptial Song,
In the blest Kingdoms of joy and love,
There entertain him all the Saints above,
In solemn troops and sweet Societies,
That sing, and singing in their glory move,
And wipe the tears for ever from his eyes,
Now, Lycidas, the Shepherds weep no more;
Henceforth thou art the Genius of the shore,
In thy large recompense, and shalt be good
To all that wander in that perilous flood.
JOHN MILTON.
Elegy on a friend drowned in the Irish Channel, 1637.

A Woman Rules Stalin's Timber City

UP on the roof of the world, right inside the Arctic Circle, Russia has opened a new back door on to the Atlantic. It is a back door diplomatically as well as geographically. Through it Stalin, while shaking hands with Hitler's trade envoys in Moscow, plans to sell timber to Britain.

The two most useful ports on this work he and his men freed their ship from the ice in June, but her keel was badly damaged.

The landing of 150 British marines in April 1916 at Murmansk, the north-west corner of Russia, the first units of the force sent to draw Germany back to the Eastern Front, drew attention to the potentialities of the country's all-the-year-round ice-free port.

The Gulf Stream and Mr. Stalin have continued in successful collaboration to make it one of the principal outlets for West Russia. But 1,500 miles further east, in the mouth of the Yenisei River, lies Igarka, the real outlet for Siberia's timber and the glamour city of Russia's amazing development in the Arctic.

Igarka, too, owes its origin to the English. Captain Joseph Wiggins in 1876 talked cautious London bankers into financing a ship to weather the Arctic and bring back a cargo of gold, furs and timber from Siberia, then to the Western world a much darker place than the Africa of Stanley and Livingstone.

Captain Wiggins reached the Yenisei in his ship, the Thames, as winter was setting in. He left his vessel in a snug tributary of the main river and hurried back to Europe by dog sled with stories of the fabulous wealth of Siberia.

He reported his great journey across the snow in the opposite direction in the spring. After two months

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FANLING-MACAO SEASONS

Entries' Restriction Should Be Lifted At Kwanti Course

THERE IS NO PREFERENTIAL CHARGE at livery in the Hongkong Jockey Club stables between a tough 'un and a three-legged steed, but a "D" or even an "E" class China pony can set one's heart leaping with greater joy than could an "A" class racer for its proud owner.

Apart from the high initial expenses of getting a first class griffin, the events set aside for "A" division ponies at the extra meetings have been few and far between, and no doubt the idea was to keep them away from the racecourse. The "D" and "E" class raters have been kept very busy during the six months ended at Happy Valley, Fanling and Macao, and a few good owners have earned some big money.

There is no doubt that the lower classes have been the mainstay of the Macao Jockey Club, and it was only quite recently that the Fanling Hunt and Race Club catered for the small owners.

When the Hongkong Government disbanded the Machine Gun Troop of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, the racing committee of the Fanling Hunt Club had great difficulty in framing suitable programme to attract punters, and furthermore the financial position was facing the stewards with a certain amount of awe. Unless there were a rapid improvement in attendances, the country club would have had no alternative but to put up the shutters.

However, since the club adopted a course in providing half of the programme with flat events for the lower classes of China and Australian ponies, their "red ink" balance in the bank soon jumped from one extremity to the other. The Fanling Hunt and Race Club has a very low percentage of cosmopolitan owners and jockeys, and I am sure that an energetic drive will undoubtedly influence a good crowd from Happy Valley to join.

The writer is not attempting to set the house in order, but the clause (flat events numbering generally from 4 to 6 are also open to members of the Hongkong Jockey Club) should not, in my opinion, be seen on the entry form for 1940/1941's racing season. Considering that there are not more than three or four meetings in a season, a yearly subscription of \$10 to an owner or jockey (who is a member of the Hongkong Jockey Club) is a small item and at the same time it will be a revenue to the club. In the past it was necessary to open the club because Fanling wanted entries and I am of the frank opinion that time has come for a wider change.

LIGHT BLUES WIN RETURN ATHLETIC MEET

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY won the athletic return with Oxford at Iffley Road by 67 points to 49 and registered first place in nine of the 13 events.

Oxford were successful as before in carrying off the two jumps.

The South African athlete and Cambridge president, E. Hudson-Bennett, won the 100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, 880 yards, 1 mile, 2 miles, 4 miles, 8 miles, 12 miles, 16 miles, 20 miles, 24 miles, 28 miles, 32 miles, 36 miles, 40 miles, 44 miles, 48 miles, 52 miles, 56 miles, 60 miles, 64 miles, 68 miles, 72 miles, 76 miles, 80 miles, 84 miles, 88 miles, 92 miles, 96 miles, 100 miles, 104 miles, 108 miles, 112 miles, 116 miles, 120 miles, 124 miles, 128 miles, 132 miles, 136 miles, 140 miles, 144 miles, 148 miles, 152 miles, 156 miles, 160 miles, 164 miles, 168 miles, 172 miles, 176 miles, 180 miles, 184 miles, 188 miles, 192 miles, 196 miles, 200 miles, 204 miles, 208 miles, 212 miles, 216 miles, 220 miles, 224 miles, 228 miles, 232 miles, 236 miles, 240 miles, 244 miles, 248 miles, 252 miles, 256 miles, 260 miles, 264 miles, 268 miles, 272 miles, 276 miles, 280 miles, 284 miles, 288 miles, 292 miles, 296 miles, 300 miles, 304 miles, 308 miles, 312 miles, 316 miles, 320 miles, 324 miles, 328 miles, 332 miles, 336 miles, 340 miles, 344 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NANCY



Nazis Short Of Pilots

Drive Amongst Youth For Volunteers

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Reuter's correspondent on the German frontier telegraphs that there is intensive propaganda among the Hitler Youth for volunteers for the German Air Force.

This is regarded as evidence that the recent losses have been heavy. Men belonging to the class from 1904 to 1920 have not yet been called up but have been told to present themselves immediately to the local authorities.

The German newspapers are full of announcements of soldiers killed in action. The Swiss newspaper "Bund" reports that German wounded are housed in hotels and hospitals all along the Rhine from Basle to the shores of Lake Constance.

WAR FACTORIES IN CANADA

OTTAWA, June 27 (Reuter).—The British Supply Board has assumed the capital cost of factory construction on behalf of 35 Canadian companies, according to the Canadian Department of Munitions Supply.

The Board has made commitments of well over £12,500,000. These expenditures will, it is estimated, produce war materials to a value exceeding £62,500,000 a year. In addition to financing the factories, the Board has placed orders for a year's supply of their output.

EGYPT'S NEW CABINET

CAIRO, June 27 (Reuter).—King Farouk of Egypt has entrusted Hassan Sabry Pasha, the former Egyptian Minister in London and Minister of Defence, with the task of forming a new Cabinet. The new ministry is expected to be a coalition.

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Herbert Morrison's Encouraging Speech

BRITAIN'S ARMAMENTS RAPIDLY MOUNTING

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—The Minister of Supply, Mr. Herbert Morrison, to-day reported increases in the rate of arms production to the House of Commons. At the same time Mr. Morrison uttered a warning that the last thing he wishes the House and Country to believe was that things were satisfactory.

"They are not," he said. "They could not be satisfactory in the circumstances of the case, but I can only say that they are becoming nearer and nearer to satisfaction as the days pass along."

Asked whether he would consider giving more precise details of production when the House went into session later to-day, Mr. Morrison said he would consider the suggestion but the House would forgive him if he exercised reasonable care.

Mr. Morrison emphasised that he took away a ringing concern and it was not for him to say whether the lay-out of the department was right or wrong. It was not his lay-out.

Some Of The Increases. Moreover there were decisions in policy which vitally affected supply. Mr. Morrison announced that the increase in the output of cruiser and infantry tanks for June, compared with April, was 115 per cent and carriers 64 per cent.

In a wide range of guns, the increase ranged from about 50 per cent. in two items up to as much as 228 per cent. for another item.

Small arms output showed increases ranging between 49 and 100 per cent.

The output of munitions of various kinds showed an increase ranging between 35 and 420 per cent. (Cheer)

Tribute To Workers. Mr. Morrison did not claim the credit for this "encouraging spurt of production" during these critical weeks. It was due to the spirit of the Ministry and particularly to the fine response made by the working people to the appeals of Ministers.

"I give one instance of the new spirit. On June 19 I gave orders for millions of a certain weapon. Already the output has reached nearly 250,000 a week, namely, between four and five times the previous production and that output will grow."

Mr. Morrison added that fundamental changes in production had been carried through both in regard to machine tools and tanks. The truth about tanks was that they had been no clarification of what tanks had been wanted. The argument could not go on for ever. It was now arranged for the requirements to be notified definitely with all possible speed through one focal point.

Without The Frills. In the meantime they were concentrating on the greatest possible output of those tanks which proved to be satisfactory without worrying about over-elaboration of design-frills and fancy pieces that were not vital.

Some machine tool production had increased by 50 per cent. Some 80,000 machine tools per annum were being made available from all sources.

£3,000,000 worth of machine tools ordered by us for France from the United States and Canada would be diverted to us.

The war material position was broadly satisfactory. Very big orders were placed in America and elsewhere for raw material. It was better to have too much than risk having too little.

Possible Siego. "We must face possible siego conditions," he said. Imports of munitions from the Empire and United States were growing. Canada was vigorously co-operating with us.

Orders to the value of nearly £5,000,000 were placed in the last few weeks.

Australia had sent large quantities of small arms and munitions from her own stocks, including bombs, shells and fuses.

The whole surplus capacity of India had been taken up, and the Indian Government was now bringing into production various private firms.

Very big things were being done in India and most excellent spirit existed there.

American Co-operation. The requirements from America fell into two classes. The urgent and immediate requirements are being bought, in many cases from stocks including field glasses, Thompson guns, magazines and munitions, together with rifles and machine-guns.

"For our long term needs, we are obtaining wherever we can, suitable existing weapons in America with all possible speed."

"I have to thank the American authorities for their ready co-operation in the matter."

"We shall need also very large requirements in respect of machine tools and in connection with the tank and gun programme. These are being dealt with by the Purchasing Commission in America, a highly-equipped body having appropriate contact in the United States and acting in conjunction with the Government of the United States."

"We must proceed to a long term programme in the United States, which means that there must be co-operation with our Purchasing Commission for certain necessary adaptations to American industry."

Preparing For Offensive. For the next few months, his Ministry would concentrate quite properly on immediate production, but they were not forgetting the longer view so that they were prepared for offensive as well as defensive action.

Immediately after Mr. Morrison's speech, the House of Commons went into a secret session.

More And More Planes. LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—This evening, Mr. Herbert Morrison gave a broadcast which was similar to his statements given in the House of Commons.

He said that besides all the consignments of planes and ammunition we had drawn and were drawing from stock in American aerodromes and arsenals, we were receiving a steady and increasing stream of engines of war, particularly aircraft made in American plants to our orders.

Lord Beaverbrook told him our orders brought into the service of Britain's war machine every leading aircraft firm in the United States.

The machines included the famous Hudson-Lochwood bomber, the Douglas-Brewster fighter, training planes and a large number of flying boats, besides Northrop bombers and Curtiss fighters which had recently been released to us.

Tremendous Acquisition. Lord Beaverbrook had said that the great growing orders that had been placed would mean a tremendous acquisition to our fighting strength in the near future and would also mean that there would have been built up on our initiative, a great aircraft producing industry in the United States.

WAR GIFT FROM BARBADOS. BARBADOS, June 27 (Reuter).—A special meeting of the Legislature has passed a resolution praying the Governor to donate £100,000 from the island's finances to the British Government to assist the prosecution of the war.

General satisfaction is expressed at this action.

Franco-Japanese Agreement. SHANGHAI, June 28 (UP).—The Japanese military authorities and the French Concession authorities have concluded a new agreement.

It provides for French co-operation in clearing the Concession of anti-Japanese elements.

NEW COURSE. 10.32 Col. Shackleton, Major Mackenzie. N.B. There is no 8.27 train on Monday, July 1, but the 9.15 will run.

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Tax Increases In N.Z.

War-Time Budget Of £30,000,000

WELLINGTON, June 27 (Reuter).—Mr. Walter Nash, the Finance Minister, presented the New Zealand budget to-day.

He said that in order to meet the war expenditure, estimated at a total of £30,000,000, there would be a new national security tax of a shilling in the pound on all incomes, in addition to the present shilling social security tax.

He said there would also be an increase of from five per cent. to ten per cent. on sales tax.

National Savings Scheme. Mr. Nash announced a national savings scheme for small investors and interest free loans for larger investments.

The Income Tax, now at 2/6d in the pound, would be increased by 6d. on the first £100 of taxable income. Company taxation, he said, would also be increased.

He forecast proposals of 100 per cent. excess war profits tax.

WOMAN RULES STALIN'S CITY

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room city as self-contained as possible. Potatoes, turnips and other hardy vegetables are grown in the short summer, tomatoes and fruit under glass.

She has built a theatre to seat 1,000. More than a thousand of her citizens have radio sets. There is a daily newspaper with one page in English for the foreign sailors.

All this has been built on one product—timber—but one which is never likely to run out. The Russian forestry department allows only 4 per cent. of the matured trees to be cut each year.

Even then the swift waters of the Yenisei disgorge more logs than the sawmills and freights can cope with.

And when the freighters have had their fill, weather reports from Arctic radio stations and scouting planes take them unconcernedly back to Europe, along the sea trails blazed by Nordenskiöld and Amundsen.

SECRET SESSION INDICATED. LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—Reuter's Lobby correspondent says it is believed that, according to present arrangements, the Prime Minister will be unable to make a further statement on the war before Thursday next week.

It is thought likely that the whole proceedings will be held in secret.



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NAZIS URGE CAROL TO ACCEPT DEMAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 27 (UP).—Balkan diplomatic sources state that Hitler has urged King Carol to cede Bessarabia and the Danubian ports to Russia.

In return, Hitler will give an assurance that Germany will use her influence to keep the remainder of Rumania intact.

In this connection it is pointed out that both Hungary and Bulgaria have claims on Rumania.

A report from Belgrade quotes the official Yugo-Slavian spokesman as follows: "Yugo-Slavia has no treaties which require her to go to the assistance of Rumania."

"We regard the matter as an issue entirely between Rumania and Russia."

"Britain and France have jointly guaranteed the independence of Rumania. The guarantee has probably been nullified by France's capitulation to Germany. The guarantee stated that Britain and France would extend all support in their power to Greece or Rumania if their independence were threatened. The guarantees would be implemented if either country were invaded by a foreign power and if the Government of the invaded country appealed to the guarantors for assistance."

Demands Considered. LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—According to a Bucharest dispatch to the Italian news agency, the Rumanian Crown Council met for two hours this morning to discuss the Russian demands over Bessarabia and Bukovina.

A further meeting of the Council was called for 8 p.m. to decide on the reply to the Soviet.

CHINESE AND TIENSIN

LONDON, June 27 (Reuter).—"No protest has been made by the Chinese Government or on their behalf with regard to the Tientsin agreement."

Mr. R. A. Butler stated in a written reply in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Butler added: "Copies of the relevant document were as a matter of courtesy communicated to the United States Government in advance of its publication."

TOKYO AND H.K. BORDER

TOKYO, June 28 (Reuter).—Japanese troops are now stationed at most points along the Hongkong border, including Shayuchung, which field despatches received here describe as an important storehouse for the supply of arms to General Chiang Kai-shek.

According to the most prevalent reports, adds the dispatch, the Rumanian Government consider that immediate contacts should be established with the Soviet, and they will appoint a Commission for direct discussions with a Soviet Commission to examine the Soviet demands, with the view to a peaceful solution.



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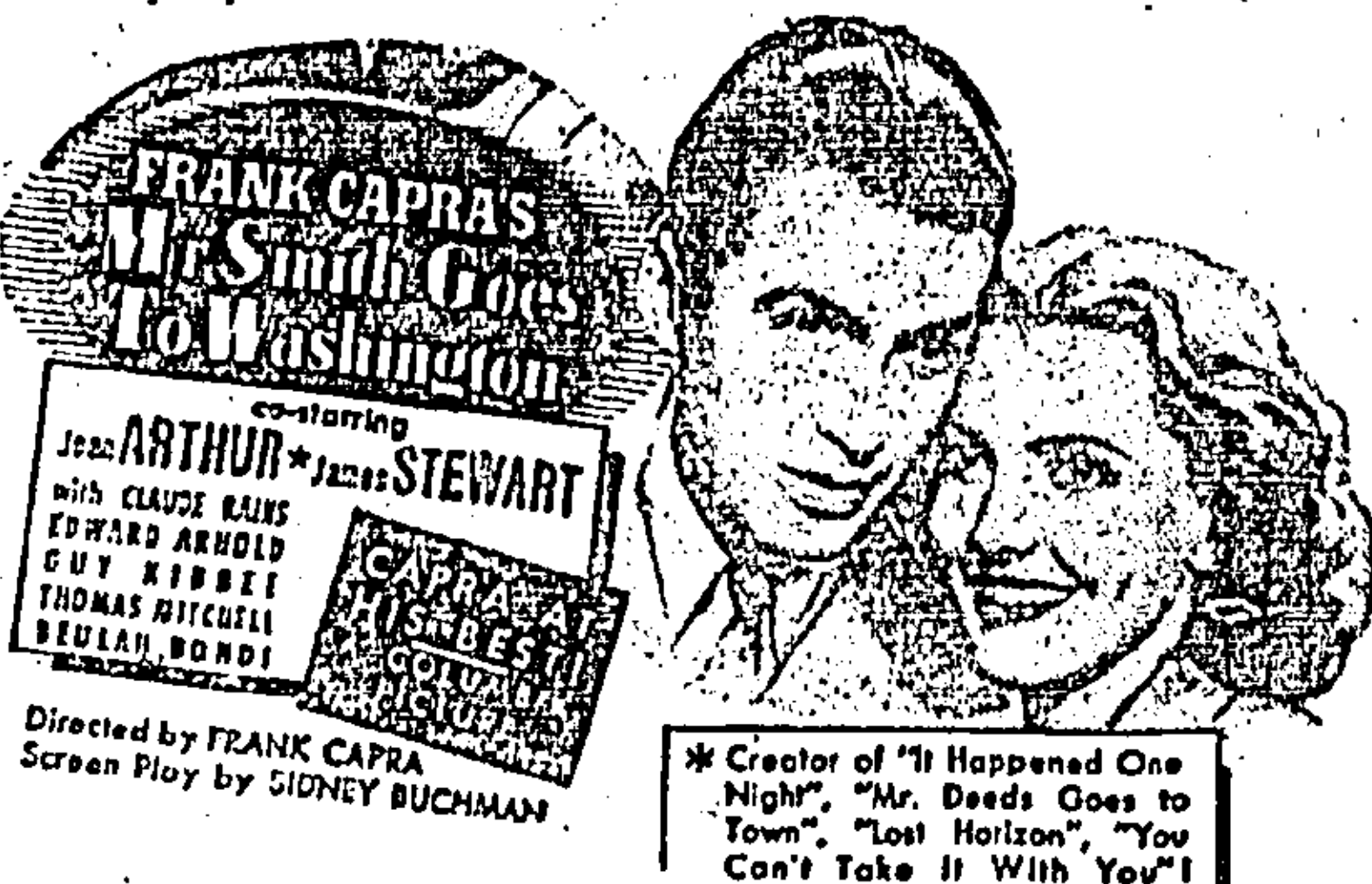
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PANAMA CANAL ZONE, June 27 (UP).—The U.S. Army Headquarters have revealed that they are constructing an underground "command post" at Quarry Heights—the Canal Zone C.H.Q.—to house the Army's communications centre.

LATE NEWS

H.K. Enlistments In The Army

The Hongkong military authorities this afternoon issued the following statement respecting the recent announcement that only British subjects of pure European descent would be eligible to join the Regular Army in Hongkong:

"Every man in the Colony, who is a British subject is encouraged, in fact in some cases compelled, to join the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps."

"This Corps exists for the Defence of Hongkong and residents are best serving the Empire, the Colony and themselves by joining it and making themselves efficient volunteers."

"There is no bar to the enlistment in the Corps or persons who are not of pure European descent and there are many such serving in it."

"Enlistment into Regular units in the British Army is limited to persons of pure European descent because such units may be called on to serve in any part of the Empire or in any theatre of war. Many of these places would not be suitable for persons whose parents were not both Europeans."

"Asiatics are enlisted into the Regular Army for service in complete units or sub-units in those parts of the Empire or theatres of War where the climate and other conditions are suited to them."

"Thus the garrison of Hongkong is largely composed of Indian troops, while there are Chinese sub-units in the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers."

ISTANBUL, June 28 (Reuter).—Units of Turkish Fleet have left for Black Sea in order to be believed, to police Turkish coastal waters.

TOKYO, June 28, (Domei).—Message from Bombay reveals that the reason for the sinking of the port of Bombay was the sinking of an Indian patrol vessel (previously reported as having been sunk by enemy action) by a mine. It has now become necessary to sweep part of the mine-field laid by the British authorities and in the meantime the port has been closed in order to protect other shipping. It is expected that the port will be re-opened at the end of the month. The port was closed on Wednesday and, until the real facts were explained, considerable comment was caused. In Tokyo by the detention of a Japanese ship in the harbour.

Officially announced this afternoon that barbed wire entanglements have been erected in New Territories during last week.

Official communiqué from G.H.Q. commenting on this fact says: "During the last week it has been necessary to erect barbed wire entanglements in the New Territories. This has unavoidably caused some interference in normal agricultural life."

Far from showing resentment towards the working parties, the farmers and villagers have voluntarily assisted by carrying wire and in many cases have given presents of fruit to the troops carrying out the work.

"The G.O.C. wishes to place on record his appreciation of this exemplary behaviour."

RUMANIA SUBMITS TO RUSSIAN DEMANDS

Russia yesterday served a note on Rumania demanding that she restore Bessarabia and North Bukovina to the Soviet. According to a Berlin report control of Constanta and Tulcea were also demanded.

Confronted with 10 p.m. as the deadline for its decision, the Rumanian King's Council met at Bucharest after the delivery of the note and, according to a report from Berlin, submitted to the demands.

Rome, June 27. The Stefani News Agency Bucharest correspondent reported to-day that M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, had delivered a note to Rumania, demanding the immediate restitution to Russia of Bessarabia and North Bukovina, which are inhabited chiefly by Ukrainians, and control of Constanta and Tulcea. The deadline was 10 p.m.

M. Molotov received the Rumanian Minister in Moscow and presented the demands.

The King's Council met at Bucharest at 12.30 p.m. while Russian planes flew over Bessarabia and Bukovina, clearly showing that the requests were backed up by military force.

Officials at first refused to confirm the demands and censors stopped all communications.

However, just after the expiration of the deadline, it was officially announced that the Council had accepted the demands.

Allied quarters in Bucharest insisted that Germany would aid Rumania in the event of Russia attempting to take over Bessarabia, claiming that war supplies were arriving from Bessarabia daily.

They said that 200 Messerschmitts arrived this week alone. However, Axis circles accuse Allied quarters of wishful thinking only in this connection.

Reports of Russian aviation and military activities on the frontier were claimed to some extent to-day. It was disclosed that early this week Rumanian anti-aircraft guns fired on Soviet planes, which subsequently apologised for flying over Rumanian territory by mistake.

Four Soviet planes crossed the border and appeared over Cernauti. Fired upon by Rumanian frontier guards, one crashed and the rest flew away after dropping bombs.

The Rumanian Aviation Company has temporarily suspended its services.—United Press.

Italy And Germany Knew Bucharest, June 27. It is authoritatively stated that Bessarabia and North Bukovina were handed over to the Soviet without fighting with the knowledge of Germany and Italy.

It is understood that the demands were made in conjunction with Bulgaria, where demonstrations were held at Sofia urging the restitution of Dobruja.

King Carol is reforming the Cabinet to include several Iron Guards.—United Press.

Italo-German Pact New York, June 27. The New York Times to-day quotes a Rumanian leader who recently returned from Berlin as declaring that a secret agreement had been concluded between Germany and Italy regarding the establishment of their sphere of influence in the Balkans.

The report says that under the agreement Germany will place under her control Slovakia, Hungary, Poland and Rumania, and Italy will have her influence over Yugoslavia and Bulgaria.

According to the same report, the territorial claims on the part of various Balkan States will immediately be settled before Germany embarks upon the independence movement in Ukraine.—Domei.

Shanghai Abduction

Shanghai, June 27. Representations are being made to the American authorities over the alleged kidnapping of Mr. John Costa, chief accountant of the American-owned Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury.

Mr. Costa is reported to have been abducted from his home in the outside roads area last night by three men, one of whom is stated to have been a Japanese. While they covered him with a pistol he was handcuffed and led away. The kidnappers told his wife that he would be brought back soon.

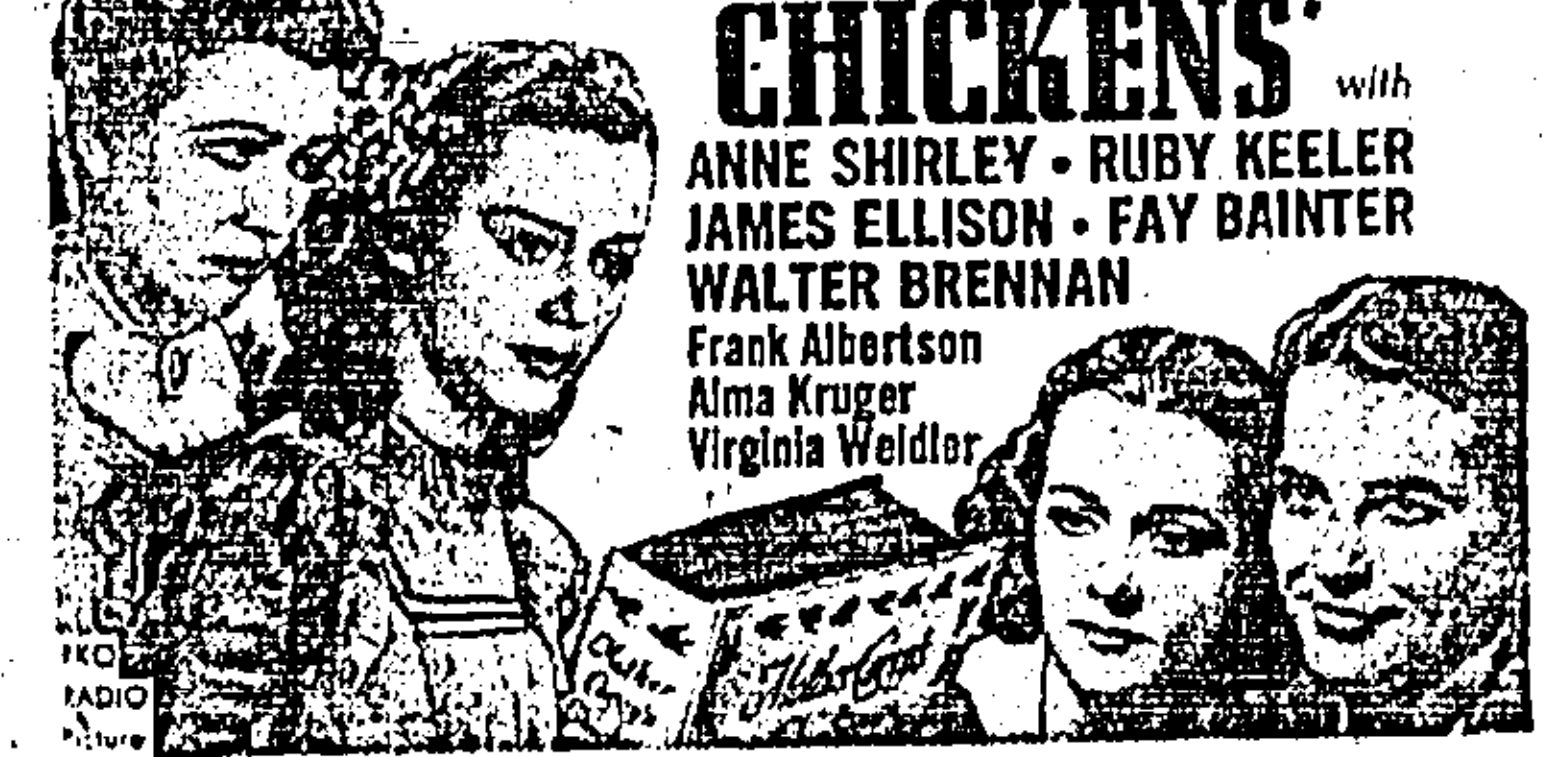
The American authorities have been informed of the circumstances. Mr. Fu Shao-on, Mayor, and the Government of Greater Shanghai have promised to help and the City and Government police are assisting in the investigations.—Reuter.

Another Accident Chungking, June 27. A kidnapping of a political nature took place in Shanghai on June 25. The victim was Li Chi-fung who was forcibly taken from his room in the Sun Sun Hotel, Nanjing Road, by three men, who were arrested by the Shanghai Municipal police. They confessed that they were members of the so-called Peace and Reconstruction Army.—Central News.

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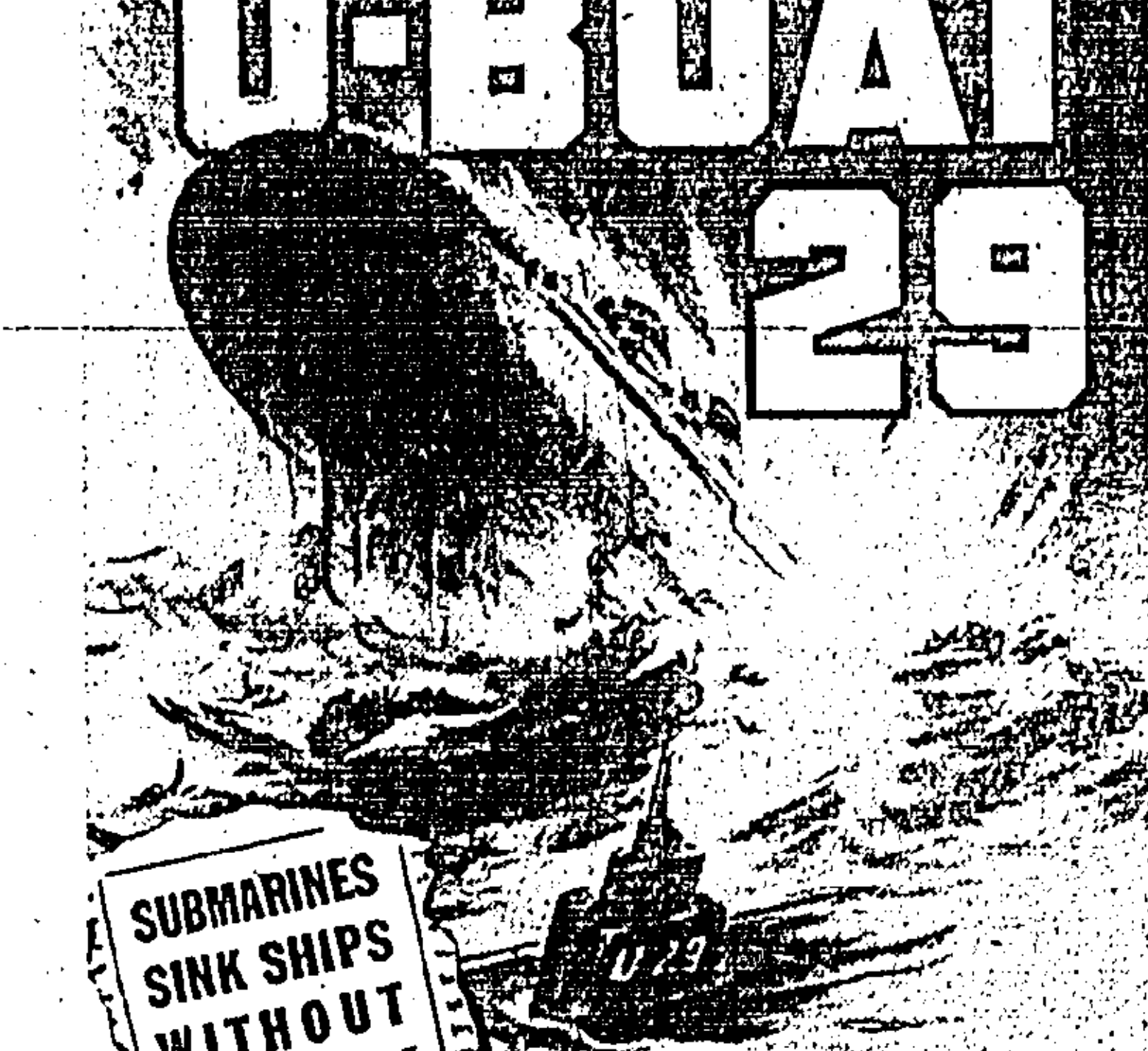
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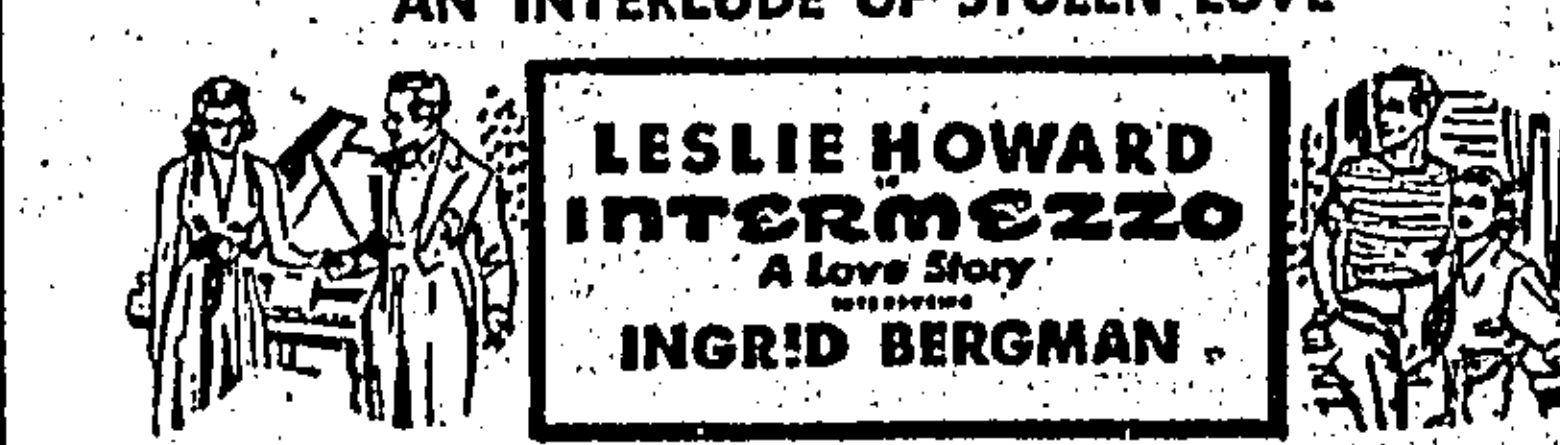
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